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THE hundred and second General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts convened at the State House in Boston on the first Wednesday in January, being the fifth day thereof, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and fifth. And the members-elect of the House of Representatives, having assembled in the Representatives' Chamber, were called to order at eleven o'clock A.M. by the Hon. John I. Baker of Beverly, the senior member-elect present.

Preliminary
organization.

By request of the presiding officer, prayer was offered by the Rev. Daniel W. Waldron of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Whitney of Winchendon, —

Ordered, That a committee of seven be appointed to inform the Secretary of the Commonwealth that the House has been called to order.

Messrs. Whitney of Winchendon, Dunham of Stockbridge, John G. Webster of Boston, Slocum of Dartmouth, Gifford of Salem, Mackintosh of Needham, and Floyd of Winthrop, were appointed the committee.

Thereupon the Secretary transmitted to the House a list of all the persons returned as representatives, with the original certificates of their election, which had been returned to his office.

On motion of Mr. Barton of Gill, —

Ordered, That the Clerk call the roll of the House, to ascertain if a quorum be present.

The roll was called; and, two hundred and sixteen members having answered to their names, the Chair declared a quorum present.

Organization. On motion of Mr. Brackett of Boston, —
Ordered, That a committee of seven be appointed to wait upon his Excellency the Governor, and inform him that a quorum of the House is assembled, and that the members are ready to be qualified.

Messrs. Brackett of Boston, Bowerman of Pittsfield, Paddock of Nantucket, McGeough of Boston, Beckford of Lynn, Vinal of Somerville, and Look of Leominster, were appointed the committee.

Oaths administered. Soon afterwards, his Excellency the Governor, with the Council and the Secretary of the Commonwealth, came in, and the oaths and affirmations required by the Constitution and the laws were administered by his Excellency to the members present, and subscribed by them; after which the Governor, the Council, and the Secretary withdrew.

Speaker elected. On motion of Mr. Hayden of Woburn, —
Ordered, That a committee of six be appointed to receive, sort, and count the votes for Speaker.

Messrs. Hayden of Woburn, Coffin of Newburyport, Dever of Boston, Thayer of North Adams, Eager of Canton, and Cleveland of Cottage City, were appointed the committee.

Mr. Hayden, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows:—

Whole number of votes	233
Necessary for a choice	117
Charles J. Noyes of Boston	232
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And, Mr. Noyes having been elected, declaration was made accordingly, and the Speaker was conducted to the chair by a committee consisting of Messrs. Brackett and McGeough of Boston, and spoke as follows:—

FELLOW-REPRESENTATIVES,—I thank you most sincerely for this honor. The position to which you have assigned me by a vote so flattering is one worthy of any man's ambition. It has been dignified by some of the most illustrious citizens of Massachusetts. I know something of its difficult duties and its delicate responsibilities, as well as of its delightful pleasures. I cannot hope to successfully assume the former or enjoy the latter, without the forbearance and kind co-operation of every member of the House. That assistance is assured at the outset by the unanimity of your call. The work of the Legislature

of 1881 promises to be unusually important and arduous. Let us do our best to accomplish it with as much promptness and despatch as are consistent with that deliberation which its importance demands. And to that end, reserving for the future any suggestions which may from time to time seem to be for the interest of the public business, the Chair addresses itself to the duty first at hand, and awaits the further pleasure of the House.

On motion of Mr. Butler of Somerville, —

Ordered, That a committee of six be appointed to receive, sort, and count the votes for Clerk. Clerk elected.

Messrs. Butler of Somerville, Carroll of Marblehead, Tufts of Fitchburg, Galvin of Boston, Parmenter of Amherst, and Allen of Lowell, were appointed the committee.

Mr. Butler, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes	234
Necessary for a choice	118
George A. Marden of Lowell	234

And Mr. Marden, having been unanimously elected, was conducted to the Council Chamber by a committee consisting of Mr. Stone of Winchester. And, having been qualified by taking the oaths required, report was made accordingly to the House, and the Clerk entered upon the discharge of his duties.

On motion of Mr. Hill of Boston, —

Ordered, That a committee of seven be appointed to inform the Senate that the House has been organized by the election of a Speaker and a Clerk. Senate notified.

Messrs. Hill of Boston, Wells of Cambridge, Jefferson of Worcester, Merritt of Springfield, Warren of Waltham, O'Neil of Boston, and Freeman of Wellfleet, were appointed the committee.

Mr. Hill, from the committee, afterwards reported that they had attended to that duty.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That a committee of seven be appointed to inform the Governor and Council that the House has been organized by the election of a Speaker and a Clerk. Governor notified.

Messrs. Higginson of Cambridge, Fiske of Holliston, Quirk of Boston, Metcalf of Springfield, Evans of Taunton, Moriarty of Worcester, and E. R. Webster of Boston, were appointed the committee.

Mr. Higginson, from the committee, afterwards reported that they had attended to that duty.

Senate
organized.

A message was received from the Senate, announcing that that branch had been organized by the election of Robert R. Bishop of Middlesex as President, and Stephen N. Gifford of Duxbury as Clerk.

Hour of
meeting.

On motion of Mr. Burt of Boston, —

Ordered, That, when the House adjourns, it adjourn to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M., and that that be the hour of meeting until otherwise ordered.

Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Thomas of Brookline, —

Ordered, That to-morrow, at half-past eleven o'clock A.M., be assigned for the election of Chaplain.

Sergeant-at-
Arms.

On motion of Mr. Andrew of Boston, —

Ordered, That a committee of six be appointed to receive, sort, and count the votes for Sergeant-at-Arms.

Messrs. Andrew of Boston, Jones of Chelsea, Brown of Lowell, Plunkett of Worcester, Canterbury of Weymouth, and Valpey of Lynn, were appointed the committee.

Mr. Andrew, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes	230
Necessary for a choice	116
Oreb F. Mitchell of Bridgewater	230

And Mr. Mitchell was declared elected on the part of the House.

Mr. Lodge of Nahant was appointed a committee to inform the Senate of the election of O. F. Mitchell as Sergeant-at-Arms on the part of the House.

Mr. Shepard of Boston was appointed a committee to inform the Governor of the election of O. F. Mitchell as Sergeant-at-Arms on the part of the House.

A message was received from the Senate, announcing that O. F. Mitchell of Bridgewater had been elected Sergeant-at-Arms on the part of that branch.

Rules and
Orders.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Everett, —

Ordered, That the Rules and Orders of the House of Representatives of 1880 be adopted as the Rules and Orders of the present House until otherwise ordered.

Ibid.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the members of the joint committee on Rules and Orders, on the part of the House, prepare rules and orders for the government of the House.

On motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston, —

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to procure for the use of the House two copies of each of the Boston daily papers, and of the daily papers published in Springfield and Worcester, and one daily paper from each other city and town in the Commonwealth where a daily paper is published. Daily papers.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Joint Rules of the two branches of last year be observed until others are adopted. Joint Rules and Orders.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a joint special committee, to consist of the President and three members of the Senate, and such as the House of Representatives may join, be appointed to prepare Rules and Orders for the government of the two branches. Ibid.

Messrs. Crocker of Suffolk, Fuller of Suffolk, and Hastings of Worcester, having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Baker of Beverly, Brackett of Boston, McGeough of Boston, Phillips of Springfield, Jefferson of Worcester, Rand of Medford, and Stevens of Malden, were joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly the Speaker of the House was added to the committee.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, and other State officers, be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join. Votes for Governor, etc.

Messrs. Reed, Quigley, and Rolfe having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Milliken of New Bedford, Packard of Brockton, Lincoln of Barnstable, Burke of Boston, Valpey of Lynn, Davis of Somerville, Mullane of Boston, and Scott of Lawrence, were appointed on the part of the House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the returns of votes for Councillors in the several councillor districts of the Commonwealth be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of two on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join. Votes for Councillors.

Messrs. Ray and Ingalls having been appointed on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Bugbee of Boston, Gifford of Falmouth, Walker of Worcester, Russell of Sunderland, Wales of Randolph, Atwood of Stoughton, Stevens of

Lowell, and Steele of Gloucester, were joined on the part of the House.

Sergeant-at-Arms.

Ordered, That the Clerks of the two branches give notice to Capt. Oreb F. Mitchell of his election as Sergeant-at-Arms for the current political year.

Order.

Public worship.

Ordered, That a committee, to consist of five on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to wait upon his Excellency the Governor and the Council, and inform them that the members of the two branches are now in readiness to attend public worship.

Messrs. Bradford of Boston, Muzzey of Cambridge, Root of Barre, Moriarty of Worcester, Taylor of Haverhill, Davenport of Fall River, and Nichols of Lawrence, were appointed on the part of the House.

Sent up to be joined.

Mr. Bradford, from the committee, afterwards reported that his Excellency the Governor had signified that he would join the two branches in attendance upon public worship at once.

At twenty-five minutes before two o'clock P.M. the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, Jan. 6, 1881.

Met, according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. George A. Thayer of Boston.

Reading of journal.

The reading of the journal of yesterday was omitted, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem.

Member Qualified.

Francis Collamore.

Mr. Francis Collamore of Pembroke, a representative-elect, being present, and ready to be qualified, Mr. Tufts of Boston was appointed a committee, who conducted him to the Council Chamber, and, he having been duly qualified, report was made accordingly.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge,—

Reading of the journal.

Ordered, That the reading of the journal of the House be dispensed with until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Canterbury of Weymouth,—

Ordered, That the Clerk be authorized to begin the printing of the journal of the House, and that five hundred copies of the same be printed.

Printing
journal.

Papers from the Senate.

The report of the joint special committee on the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, and other State officers, was received from the Senate, and accepted in concurrence as follows:—

Votes for Gov-
ernor and other
State officers.

For Governor.

John D. Long of Hingham	164,926
Charles P. Thompson of Gloucester	111,410
Horace Binney Sargent of Salem	4,861
Charles Almy of New Bedford	1,059
All others	88

For Lieutenant-Governor.

Byron Weston of Dalton	164,872
Alpha E. Thompson of Woburn	110,598
George Dutton of Springfield	4,717
Timothy K. Earle of Worcester	1,190
All others	43

For Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Henry B. Peirce of Abington	165,999
Michael T. Donohoe of Somerville	110,452
Jonathan Arnold of Abington	4,686
Solomon F. Root of Dalton	987
All others	89

For Treasurer and Receiver-General.

Daniel A. Gleason of Medford	165,837
Francis J. Parker of Newton	111,110
Wilbur F. Whitney of Ashburnham	4,738
Thomas J. Lothrop of Taunton	978
All others	29

For Auditor.

Charles R. Ladd of Springfield	165,472
Charles R. Field of Greenfield	110,952
Charles F. Warner of Northampton	4,685
Jonathan Buck of Harwich	1,024
All others	21

For Attorney-General.

George Marston of New Bedford	. . .	165,666
Patrick A. Collins of Boston	. . .	110,251
Israel W. Andrews of Danvers	. . .	4,557
Samuel M. Fairfield of Malden	. . .	969
All others	. . .	211

And the following-named persons appear by the returns to be duly elected:—

Governor.—John D. Long of Hingham.

Lieutenant-Governor.—Byron Weston of Dalton.

Secretary of the Commonwealth.—Henry B. Peirce of Abington.

Treasurer and Receiver-General.—Daniel A. Gleason of Medford.

Auditor.—Charles R. Ladd of Springfield.

Attorney-General.—George Marston of New Bedford.

Votes for
Councillors.

The report of the joint committee on the votes for Councillors was received from the Senate, and accepted in concurrence. It appeared from said report that the following-named gentlemen were elected in their respective districts: to wit,—

- District No. 1. Matthew H. Cushing of Middleborough.
- No. 2. William O. Taylor of Boston.
- No. 3. Eustace C. Fitz of Chelsea.
- No. 4. Michael J. Flatley of Boston.
- No. 5. Joseph Davis of Lynn.
- No. 6. George Heywood of Concord.
- No. 7. Rodney Wallace of Fitchburg.
- No. 8. Rufus D. Woods of Enfield.

Special Assignment.

Election of
Chaplain.

At half-past eleven o'clock the House proceeded to consider the special assignment, being the election of a Chaplain for the House.

Mr. Baker of Beverly moved that the Rev. Daniel W. Waldron of Boston, Chaplain of the last House, be elected by acclamation. The motion prevailed, and, Mr. Waldron being elected, declaration was made accordingly.

Chaplain
vouched.

On motion of Mr. Thomas of Brookline,—

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to inform the Rev. Daniel W. Waldron of Boston that he has been elected Chaplain of the House for the year 1881.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a committee be appointed, to be joined, to inform the Hon. John D. Long that he has been elected, in the manner prescribed by the Constitution, Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will be ready to attend upon him, in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the Constitution and a law of the United States to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, at such hour as may suit his convenience.

Governor and
Lieutenant-
Governor
qualified.

Also to inform the Hon. Byron Weston that he has been duly elected Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will attend upon him in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office.

Messrs. Converse, Gaylord, and Allen having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Cogswell of Salem, Lawrence of Groton, Hill of Boston, Davenport of Fall River, McSorley of Cambridge, Phillips of Springfield, Mellen of Worcester, and Wilson of Boston, were appointed on the part of the House.

Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee, afterwards reported that the committee had waited upon the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect, and that they had signified their acceptance of their respective offices, and their readiness to be qualified at the earliest convenience of the two branches.

The following order was adopted in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the two branches meet forthwith in convention, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect.

Joint Convention.

The Senate then came in, its President took the chair, and, the two branches being in convention, a committee, consisting of Messrs. Knowlton of Hampden, Whiton of Plymouth, and Lilley of Middlesex, of the Senate, and Messrs. Increase E. Noyes of Boston, Brown of Marblehead, Bail of Boston, Lincoln of Barnstable, and Cawley of Lowell, of the House, was appointed to wait upon the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect, and inform them that the two branches are now in joint convention, and are ready to attend to the administration of the oaths of office.

Joint
convention.

Mr. Knowlton, from the committee, afterwards reported that the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect would immediately attend upon the House.

The Governor and Lieutenant-Governor then came in, accompanied by various civil and military officers of the Commonwealth.

The oaths and affirmations of office were then, in the presence of the two Houses, and before the President of the Senate, administered to and subscribed by the Hon. John D. Long as Governor, and the Hon. Byron Weston as Lieutenant-Governor, and proclamation thereof was made by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

His Excellency then delivered an address to the senators and representatives.

After which the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor withdrew, the convention was dissolved, and the Senate withdrew.

Councillors Qualified.

Councillors
qualified.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to Messrs. Matthew H. Cushing, William O. Taylor, Eustace C. Fitz, Michael J. Flatley, Joseph Davis, George Heywood, Rodney Wallace, and Rufus D. Woods, that they have been duly elected Councillors to advise the Governor in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

A communication was subsequently received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, announcing that the several Councillors-elect had signified their acceptance of the office, and were ready to be qualified.

Paper from the Senate.

The following order was adopted in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the two branches meet forthwith in convention for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to such of the Councillors-elect as may have signified their acceptance of the office.

Joint Convention.

Joint con-
vention.

The Senate then came in, its President took the chair, and, the two branches being in convention, a committee, consisting of Messrs. Abbott, Martin, and Reed of the Senate, and Messrs. Bugbee of Boston, Plunkett of Worcester, Farrar of Abington, Hoar of Concord, and

Russell of Sunderland, of the House, was appointed to wait upon the Councillors-elect, and inform them that the two Houses are in joint convention for the purpose of administering the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them for office.

Soon afterwards, the Councillors-elect, Matthew H. Cushing, William O. Taylor, Eustace C. Fitz, Michael J. Flatley, Joseph Davis, George Heywood, Rodney Wallace, and Rufus D. Woods, came in; and in the presence of the two Houses, and before the President of the Senate, the oaths were taken and subscribed by them, and declaration was made accordingly.

The convention was then dissolved, and the Senate withdrew.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Canterbury of Weymouth,—

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to the Governor that Messrs. Matthew H. Cushing, William O. Taylor, Eustace C. Fitz, Michael J. Flatley, Joseph Davis, George Heywood, Rodney Wallace, and Rufus D. Woods have been duly elected and qualified as Councillors to advise him in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

Governor notified.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly,—

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Rules and Orders consider what disposition should be made of the several portions of the Governor's address.

Governor's address.

On motion of Mr. Hayden of Woburn,—

Ordered. That the clerks of the two branches cause to be printed, for the use of the Legislature, five hundred copies of the sketches of the officers and members of the State Government of 1881, as published in "The Boston Journal" of the 5th inst., the proprietors of "The Journal" having courteously offered the use of the type.

Sketches of members.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Paper from the Senate.

The report, in part, of the joint special committee instructed to report Rules and Orders for the government of the two branches, came down, recommending that Joint Rule No. 1 of the last General Court be adopted, amended to read as follows:—

Joint Rule No. 1.

RULE 1. The following joint standing committees shall

be appointed at the commencement of the January session: viz.,—

- a committee on Agriculture;
- a committee on Banks and Banking;
- a committee on Claims;
- a committee on Education;
- a committee on Expenditures;
- a committee on Federal Relations;
- a committee on the Fisheries;
- a committee on Harbors and Public Lands;
- a committee on Insurance;
- a committee on the Library;
- a committee on Manufactures;
- a committee on Mercantile Affairs;
- a committee on Military Affairs;
- a committee on Parishes and Religious Societies;
- a committee on Printing;
- a committee on Prisons;
- a committee on Public Charitable Institutions;
- a committee on Railroads;
- a committee on Roads and Bridges;
- a committee on the State House;
- a committee on Street Railways;
- a committee on Taxation;
- a committee on Towns;
- a committee on Public Health.

And each of said committees shall consist of three on the part of the Senate, and eight on the part of the House, except the committee on Railroads, which shall consist of four members on the part of the Senate, and eleven on the part of the House; and except, also, the committee on Expenditures, which shall consist of the committee on the Treasury, of the Senate, and the committee on Finance, of the House. No member of either branch shall act as counsel for any party before any committee of the Legislature.

Read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule.

At twenty-five minutes before four o'clock P.M. adjourned.

FRIDAY, Jan. 7, 1881.

Met, according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M.

Rev. Daniel W. Waldron, having accepted the office of Chaplain, appeared, and prayer was offered by him. Chaplain accepts.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Warren of Waltham, —

Ordered, That, when the House adjourns, it be to meet on Monday, at two o'clock P.M., and that hereafter that be the hour of meeting, except on Saturdays, when the hour shall be eleven o'clock A.M., until otherwise ordered. Hour of meeting.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Baker of Beverly, from the committee on House Rules and Orders, on an order relative to preparing rules for the government of the House, in part, that the following be adopted in place of Rule No. 21 of last year: — House Rule No. 21.

Rule 21. At the beginning of the political year standing committees shall be appointed as follows: —

- a committee on the Judiciary,
- a committee on Probate and Chancery, and
- a committee on Finance
- (to consist of nine members each);
- a committee on Elections,
- a committee on County Estimates, and
- a committee on Rules and Orders
- (to consist of seven members each);
- a committee on Bills in the Third Reading,
- a committee on Engrossed Bills,
- a committee on Pay Roll, and
- a committee on Leave of Absence
- (to consist of three members each).

Also that Rule 96 of the Rules and Orders of last year be adopted, amended in the last line by striking out the word "ten," and inserting, instead, the word "five." House Rule No. 96.

Read, and accepted under suspension of the rule.

Paper from the Senate.

The report of the joint special committee appointed to consider and report what disposition should be made of the several portions of the Governor's address was read, and accepted in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, as follows: — Disposition of Governor's address.

That so much of said address as relates to finance be referred to the joint standing committee on Expenditures.

So much thereof as relates to prisons and capital punishment, to the joint standing committee on Prisons.

So much thereof as relates to State charities, to the joint standing committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

So much thereof as relates to the harbor and public lands, to the joint standing committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

So much thereof as relates to education, to the joint standing committee on Education.

So much thereof as relates to public health, to the joint standing committee on Public Health.

So much thereof as relates to savings banks and county accounts, to the joint standing committee on Banks and Banking.

So much thereof as relates to agriculture, to the joint standing committee on Agriculture.

So much thereof as relates to the commercial and shipping interests of the State, to the joint standing committee on Mercantile Affairs.

So much thereof as relates to the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad, to a joint special committee consisting of three members on the part of the Senate, and eight members on the part of the House.

So much thereof as relates to railroads, to the joint standing committee on Railroads.

So much thereof as relates to the militia and to State aid, to the joint standing committee on Military Affairs.

So much thereof as relates to insurance, to the joint standing committee on Insurance.

So much thereof as relates to labor and district police, to a joint special committee consisting of three members on the part of the Senate, and eight members on the part of the House.

So much thereof as relates to liquor legislation, to a joint special committee consisting of three members on the part of the Senate, and eight members on the part of the House.

So much thereof as relates to taxation, to the joint standing committee on Taxation.

So much thereof as relates to constitutional amendments and executive officers, to a joint special committee consisting of three members on the part of the Senate, and eight members on the part of the House.

So much thereof as relates to woman suffrage, to a joint special committee consisting of three members on the part of the Senate, and eight members on the part of the House.

So much thereof as relates to the judiciary, to a joint special committee consisting of the committees on the Judiciary of both branches.

So much thereof as relates to the Yorktown centennial celebration, the Cowpens monument, and the Rhode-Island boundary, to the joint standing committee on Federal Relations.

So much thereof as relates to accommodations for State officers, to the joint standing committee on the State House.

Recess Taken.

On motion of Mr. Brackett of Boston, at a quarter before twelve o'clock the Speaker declared a recess until one o'clock P.M. Recess.

Committees Appointed.

Upon the re-assembling of the House at one o'clock, the Speaker appointed the standing committees of the House as follows:—

Standing Committees of the House.

Judiciary.—Messrs. Cogswell of Salem, Bowerman of Pittsfield, Muzzey of Cambridge, McGeough of Boston, Andrew of Boston, Wardwell of Peabody, Hoar of Concord, Lodge of Nahant, and Reed of Taunton. Standing committees of the House.

Probate and Chancery.—Messrs. Wells of Cambridge, Whitney of Winchendon, Wales of Randolph, Forbes of Westborough, Sprague of Boston, Sullivan of Middleborough, White of Taunton, Clarke of New Bedford, and Cronin of Boston.

Finance.—Messrs. Hill of Boston, Tufts of Boston, Merritt of Springfield, Davenport of Fall River, Hayden of Woburn, J. G. Webster of Boston, Stevens of Malden, Prouty of Spencer, and Foster of Tewksbury.

County Estimates.—Messrs. I. E. Noyes of Boston, Burpee of Sterling, Fellows of Ipswich, Crandall of Attleborough, Colton of Westfield, Bidwell of Monterey, and Fay of Boston.

Elections.—Messrs. Albee of Cambridge, Parmenter of Amherst, Crowell of New Bedford, Kendall of Athol, Robins of Pittsfield, French of Lynn, and Murphy of Boston.

Rules and Orders.—Messrs. Baker of Beverly, Brackett of Boston, McGeough of Boston, Phillips of Springfield, Jefferson of Worcester, Stevens of Malden, and Rand of Medford.

So much thereof as relates to prisons and capital punishment, to the joint standing committee on Prisons.

So much thereof as relates to State charities, to the joint standing committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

So much thereof as relates to the harbor and public lands, to the joint standing committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

So much thereof as relates to education, to the joint standing committee on Education.

So much thereof as relates to public health, to the joint standing committee on Public Health.

So much thereof as relates to savings banks and county accounts, to the joint standing committee on Banks and Banking.

So much thereof as relates to agriculture, to the joint standing committee on Agriculture.

So much thereof as relates to the commercial and shipping interests of the State, to the joint standing committee on Mercantile Affairs.

So much thereof as relates to the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad, to a joint special committee consisting of three members on the part of the Senate, and eight members on the part of the House.

So much thereof as relates to railroads, to the joint standing committee on Railroads.

So much thereof as relates to the militia and to State aid, to the joint standing committee on Military Affairs.

So much thereof as relates to insurance, to the joint standing committee on Insurance.

So much thereof as relates to labor and district police, to a joint special committee consisting of three members on the part of the Senate, and eight members on the part of the House.

So much thereof as relates to liquor legislation, to a joint special committee consisting of three members on the part of the Senate, and eight members on the part of the House.

So much thereof as relates to taxation, to the joint standing committee on Taxation.

So much thereof as relates to constitutional amendments and executive officers, to a joint special committee consisting of three members on the part of the Senate, and eight members on the part of the House.

So much thereof as relates to woman suffrage, to a joint special committee consisting of three members on the part of the Senate, and eight members on the part of the House.

So much thereof as relates to the judiciary, to a joint special committee consisting of the committees on the Judiciary of both branches.

So much thereof as relates to the Yorktown centennial celebration, the Cowpens monument, and the Rhode-Island boundary, to the joint standing committee on Federal Relations.

So much thereof as relates to accommodations for State officers, to the joint standing committee on the State House.

Recess Taken.

On motion of Mr. Brackett of Boston, at a quarter before twelve o'clock the Speaker declared a recess until one o'clock P.M. Recess.

Committees Appointed.

Upon the re-assembling of the House at one o'clock, the Speaker appointed the standing committees of the House as follows:—

Standing Committees of the House.

Judiciary.—Messrs. Cogswell of Salem, Bowerman of Pittsfield, Muzzey of Cambridge, McGeough of Boston, Andrew of Boston, Wardwell of Peabody, Hoar of Concord, Lodge of Nahant, and Reed of Taunton. Standing committees of the House.

Probate and Chancery.—Messrs. Wells of Cambridge, Whitney of Winchendon, Wales of Randolph, Forbes of Westborough, Sprague of Boston, Sullivan of Middleborough, White of Taunton, Clarke of New Bedford, and Cronin of Boston.

Finance.—Messrs. Hill of Boston, Tufts of Boston, Merritt of Springfield, Davenport of Fall River, Hayden of Woburn, J. G. Webster of Boston, Stevens of Malden, Prouty of Spencer, and Foster of Tewksbury.

County Estimates.—Messrs. I. E. Noyes of Boston, Burpee of Sterling, Fellows of Ipswich, Crandall of Attleborough, Colton of Westfield, Bidwell of Monterey, and Fay of Boston.

Elections.—Messrs. Albee of Cambridge, Parmenter of Amherst, Crowell of New Bedford, Kendall of Athol, Robins of Pittsfield, French of Lynn, and Murphy of Boston.

Rules and Orders.—Messrs. Baker of Beverly, Brackett of Boston, McGeough of Boston, Phillips of Springfield, Jefferson of Worcester, Stevens of Malden, and Rand of Medford.

Bills in Third Reading. — Messrs. Shepard of Boston, Lodge of Nahant, and Buck of Clarksburg.

Engrossed Bills. — Messrs. Bugbee of Boston, Cable of Hyde Park, and Atwood of Stoughton.

Leave of Absence. — Messrs. Lincoln of Barnstable, Love of Webster, and Kelly of Boston.

Pay-Roll. — Messrs. Mahoney of Boston, Bailey of Scituate, and Smith of Rehoboth.

Joint Standing Committees.

Joint standing
committees.

Agriculture. — Messrs. Tucker of Norfolk, Rolfe of Essex, and Root of Franklin, *of the Senate.* Messrs. Root of Barre, E. R. Webster of Boston, Budington of Leyden, Hyde of Lee, Mackintosh of Needham, Miller of Westminster, Russell of Sunderland, and Dorman of Belchertown, *of the House.*

Banks and Banking. — Messrs. Converse of Middlesex, Gaylord of Hampden, and Corbin of Worcester, *of the Senate.* Messrs. Thomas of Brookline, Barton of Gill, Atwood of Stoughton, Whitney of Millbury, Allen of Lynn, Sanborn of Newton, Jacobs of Hingham, and Carleton of Georgetown, *of the House.*

Claims. — Messrs. Root of Franklin, Van Nostrand of Suffolk, and Tucker of Norfolk, *of the Senate.* Messrs. Butler of Somerville, Gage of Haverhill, Fiske of Holliston, Parratt of West Brookfield, Bixby of Adams, McDonald of Boston, Sawin of Templeton, and Farrar of Abington, *of the House.*

Education. — Messrs. Rice of Essex, Moore of Worcester, and Ames of Bristol, *of the Senate.* Messrs. Higginson of Cambridge, Porter of Attleborough, Hale of Milford, Corey of Bedford, Hyde of Lee, Galvin of Boston, Bryant of Russell, and Sawyer of West Boylston, *of the House.*

Expenditures. — Messrs. Smith of Berkshire, Whiton of Plymouth, and Allen of Suffolk, *of the Senate.* Messrs. Hill of Boston, Tufts of Boston, Merritt of Springfield, Davenport of Fall River, Hayden of Woburn, J. G. Webster of Boston, Stevens of Malden, Prouty of Spencer, and Foster of Tewksbury, *of the House.*

Federal Relations. — Messrs. Hall of Essex, Martin of Suffolk, and Reed of Bristol, *of the Senate.* Messrs. Vinal of Somerville, Bulloch of New Bedford, Coney of Springfield, Fifield of Salisbury, Curtis of Maynard, Jenks of Franklin, Jewett of Westhampton, and McGahey of Boston, *of the House.*

Fisheries. — Messrs. Smith of Suffolk, Fogg of Plymouth, and Norwood of Essex, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Davenport of Fall River, Tappan of Manchester, Freeman of Wellfleet, Evans of Taunton, Cleveland of Cottage City, Hadley of Marion, Wood of Hopkinton, and Kelley of Harwich, *of the House*.

Harbors and Public Lands. — Messrs. Allen of Suffolk, Snow of the Cape District, and Van Nostrand of Suffolk, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Brackett of Boston, Coffin of Newburyport, Burke of Boston, Goulding of Lowell, Dever of Boston, Wonson of Gloucester, Clarke of New Bedford, and Hughes of Truro, *of the House*.

Insurance. — Messrs. Hastings of Worcester, Smith of Berkshire, and Rolfe of Essex, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Warren of Waltham, Stevens of Clinton, Porter of Quincy, Wright of Holyoke, Baker of Dedham, Walker of Watertown, Stickney of Chelsea, and Fowler of Salem, *of the House*.

Library. — Messrs. Abbott of Worcester, Ingalls of Worcester, and Root of Franklin, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Hayden of Woburn, Thomas of Brookline, Swift of Yarmouth, Hoar of Concord, Shepard of Boston, Sprague of Boston, Buck of Clarksburg, and Burpee of Sterling, *of the House*.

Manufactures. — Messrs. Ray of Norfolk, Wiley of Essex, and Corbin of Worcester, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Eager of Canton, Smith of Boston, McFarlin of Carver, Marshall of Worcester, Carpenter of Westfield, Scott of Lawrence, Shepard of Sandisfield, and Stanton of Fall River, *of the House*.

Mercantile Affairs. — Messrs. Whiton of Plymouth, Martin of Suffolk, and Smith of Suffolk, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Metcalf of Springfield, Keith of Brockton, Livermore of Boston, Gilman of North Andover, Gaskill of Blackstone, Fuller of Framingham, Brown of Reading, and Lamb of Boston, *of the House*.

Military Affairs. — Messrs. Fuller of Suffolk, Fessenden of Middlesex, and Hastings of Worcester, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Stevens of Clinton, Brown of Lowell, Hooper of Bridgewater, Coney of Springfield, Tinkham of Boston, Wilcox of Milford, Cannon of Boston, and Marble of Freetown, *of the House*.

Parishes and Religious Societies. — Messrs. Smith of Berkshire, Converse of Middlesex, and Rice of Essex, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Gifford of Falmouth, Joyce of Boston, Tinkham of Boston, Dorman of Belchertown,

Searles of Northbridge, Burpee of Sterling, Richardson of Rockport, and Burr of Worthington, *of the House*.

Printing.—Messrs. Horton of Essex, Wiley of Essex, and Richmond of Bristol, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Avery of Plymouth, Brown of Lowell, Mullane of Boston, Hemphill of Holyoke, Holman of Leicester, Donovan of Lawrence, Mansfield of Lynnfield, and Carroll of Marblehead, *of the House*.

Prisons.—Messrs. Hall of Essex, Tirrell of Middlesex, and Hannum of Middlesex, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Swift of Yarmouth, Valpey of Lynn, Bail of Boston, Lawrence of Groton, Slocum of Dartmouth, Stover of Boston, Walker of Worcester, and Goodwin of Chicopee, *of the House*.

Public Charitable Institutions.—Messrs. Richmond of Bristol, Winship of Middlesex, and Rice of Essex, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Taylor of Haverhill, Milliken of New Bedford, Burt of Boston, McSorley of Cambridge, Pad-dack of Nantucket, Learnard of Boston, Richardson of Wakefield, and Hartwell of Southbridge, *of the House*.

Public Health.—Messrs. Horton of Essex, Tirrell of Middlesex, and Ingalls of Worcester, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Wilson of Boston, Rand of Medford, Lyon of Boston, Chamberlain of Cambridge, Hamlin of Boston, Vining of Conway, Sheppard of Braintree, and McManus of Natick, *of the House*.

Railroads.—Messrs. Crocker of Suffolk, Ames of Bristol, Abbott of Worcester, and Rockwell of Berkshire, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Brown of Marblehead, Canterbury of Weymouth, Cable of Hyde Park, Clapp of Boston, Tufts of Fitchburg, Phillips of Springfield, Plunkett of Worcester, Allen of Lowell, Brown of Boston, Stone of Winchester, and Dunham of Stockbridge, *of the House*.

Roads and Bridges.—Messrs. Fogg of Plymouth, Norwood of Essex, and Cook of Hampshire, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Morrison of Methuen, Howland of Rockland, Shaw of Newburyport, Dickerman of Townsend, Steele of Gloucester, Quirk of Boston, Newell of West Newbury, and Rice of Florida, *of the House*.

State House.—Messrs. Hannum of Middlesex, Ingalls of Worcester, and Crocker of Suffolk, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Gifford of Salem, Increase E. Noyes of Boston, Mellen of Worcester, Jones of Chelsea, Vinal of Somerville, Burt of Boston, Scott of Lawrence, and Gill of Stoneham, *of the House*.

Street Railways.—Messrs. Fuller of Suffolk, Winship

of Middlesex, and Tucker of Norfolk, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Bradford of Boston, O'Neil of Boston, Davis of Somerville, Gifford of Salem, E. R. Webster of Boston, Ames of Worcester, Edwards of Quincy, and Reade of Boston, *of the House*.

Taxation.—Messrs. Bennett of Suffolk, Hastings of Worcester, and Fessenden of Middlesex, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Fernald of Melrose, Poor of Lawrence, Newton of Warren, Clark of Worcester, Packard of Brockton, Tapley of Danvers, Burr of Fall River, and McCullough of Boston, *of the House*.

Towns.—Messrs. Cook of Hampshire, Snow of the Cape District, and Corbin of Worcester, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Morse of Newton, Jones of Chelsea, Willcutt of Boston, Stowe of Hudson, Thompson of Medway, Moriarty of Worcester, Almy of Salem, and Cawley of Lowell, *of the House*.

Joint Special Committees.

Constitutional Amendments.—Messrs. Knowlton of Hampden, Rockwell of Berkshire, and Quigley of Suffolk, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Muzzey of Cambridge, Whitney of Winchendon, Thayer of North Adams, Albee of Cambridge, Fernald of Melrose, Forbes of Westborough, Clarke of New Bedford, and Galvin of Boston, *of the House*. Joint special committees.

Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad.—Messrs. Fessenden of Middlesex, Gaylord of Hampden, and Converse of Middlesex, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Baker of Beverly, Jefferson of Worcester, Thayer of North Adams, Beckford of Lynn, Fay of Fitchburg, Gargan of Boston, Stevens of Lowell, and Strong of Northampton, *of the House*.

Labor.—Messrs. Van Nostrand of Suffolk, Wiley of Essex, and Ray of Norfolk, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Mellen of Worcester, Nichols of Lawrence, O'Donnell of Lowell, Cushman of Monson, Butler of Boston, Peck of Wilbraham, Howard of Fall River, and Eddy of Erving, *of the House*.

Liquor Law.—Messrs. Richmond of Bristol, Cook of Hampshire, and Quigley of Suffolk, *of the Senate*. Messrs. Look of Leominster, Bugbee of Boston, Chamberlain of Cambridge, Coolidge of Marlborough, Snow of Raynham, Porter of Rowe, White of Boston, and Forbes of Westborough, *of the House*.

Woman Suffrage.—Messrs. Abbott of Worcester, Richmond of Bristol, and Fogg of Plymouth, *of the Senate*.

Messrs. Higginson of Cambridge, Bosworth of Easthampton, Floyd of Winthrop, Johnson of Everett, Collamore of Pembroke, Parmenter of Amherst, Bumstead of Springfield, and Carroll of Marblehead, *of the House.*

Monitors of the House.

Monitors.

First Division. — Brackett of Boston and McGeough of Boston.

Second Division. — Hayden of Woburn and Dever of Boston.

Third Division. — Fay of Boston and Smith of Boston.

Fourth Division. — Fiske of Holliston and Cawley of Lowell.

Fifth Division. — Clapp of Boston and Gill of Stoneham.

Sixth Division. — Butler of Somerville and McSorley of Cambridge.

Drawing of Seats.

Seats drawn.

Under the rule the House then proceeded at once to the drawing of seats; Messrs. Cogswell of Salem, Hill of Boston, and McGeough of Boston, being appointed a committee to supervise the same. Messrs. Cronin of Boston and Whitney of Winchendon were severally allowed to select seats before the drawing began.

Troy and Greenfield Railroad.

Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad.

A communication was received from the manager of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel, enclosing a report of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel for the year ending Sept. 30, 1880, embracing detailed estimates for the next ensuing year. Referred to the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

Savings banks.

On motion of Mr. Thomas of Brookline, —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking report what further legislation, if any, is necessary in regard to savings banks and institutions for savings.

Boston school committee.

On motion of Mr. Shepard of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education inquire into the expediency of providing by law that the school com-

mittee of the city of Boston shall not exceed, in expenditures for schools, the appropriations of the city council.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on rules and orders for the government of the two branches consider the expediency of amending joint Rule No. 1 by inserting after the words, "a committee on Insurance," the words, "a committee on Labor." Committee on Labor.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, —

Ordered, — That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of abolishing the trustee process. Trustee process.

At quarter-past two o'clock P.M. adjourned.

MONDAY, Jan. 10, 1881.

Met, according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Increase E. Noyes of Boston, remonstrance of Alexander M. Dallas and others; by Mr. Wonson of Gloucester, remonstrance of A. Murphy and others; and, by Mr. Jacobs of Hingham, remonstrance of Daniel McGrath and others, — severally against biennial elections. Biennial elections.

Severally referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Shepard of Boston, petition of the mayor of Boston for legislation requiring the school committee of said city to confine its expenditures within the limit of the appropriations made by the city council. Referred to the committee on Education. Expenditures by school committees of Boston.

By Mr. Rand of Medford, petition of Daniel W. Lawrence and others of Medford for such legislation as will protect the purity of the water in Mystic Lower Pond, in said town. Referred to the committee on Public Health. Mystic Lower Pond.

By Mr. Wales of Randolph, petition of the Nantasket Beach Railroad Company, the Hull and Nantasket Railroad Company, and the Boston, Hingham, and Hull Railroad Company, for an act authorizing said companies to consolidate into one corporation. Referred to the committee on Railroads. Nantasket Beach Railroad.

Peabody and
Victoria Mills.

By Mr. Coffin of Newburyport, petition of the Peabody and Victoria Mills of Newburyport for authority to open certain streets to lay gas-pipe. Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Marriages
of Friends.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, petition of Augustus Jones and others for amendment of chapter 106 of the General Statutes, relating to marriages in the Society of Friends. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Thirtieth Mid-
dlesex District.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of W. F. Claffin and others for a recount of votes cast for representative in the Thirtieth Middlesex District at the last election.

Ninth Norfolk
District.

By Mr. Mackintosh of Needham, petition of Emery Grover for a recount of votes cast for representative in the Ninth Norfolk District.

Severally referred to the committee on Elections.

Massachusetts
College of
Pharmacy.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, petition of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy for an amendment of its charter. Referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Hill of Boston, —

Clerks in
Secretary's
office.

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider the expediency of repealing Resolves, chapter 57, of the Acts of the year 1877, and chapter 11 of the Acts of the year 1878, and of amending section 2, chapter 79 of the Acts of the year 1879, so as to provide that additional clerks, etc., may be employed in the Secretary's office at an expense not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Winchester, —

Excise tax on
life-insurance
companies.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of repealing or amending chapter 227 of the Acts of the year 1880, concerning an excise tax on life-insurance companies.

On motion of Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, —

Labor arbitra-
tion.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of providing for the appointment of a board of arbitration, to whom all labor disputes between employers and their employes shall be referred for amicable adjustment.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Weekly wages.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of providing by law that manufacturing cor-

porations shall pay their employes weekly or fortnightly, as may be deemed best for the interests of all concerned.

On motion of Mr. Howard of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider what further legislation is necessary for the enforcement of the ten-hour law. Ten-hour law.

On motion of Mr. Mackintosh of Needham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider what legislation is necessary to relieve the double taxation of mortgaged property. Double taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bail of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 5, chapter 246 of the Acts of the year 1876, and section 2, chapter 243 of the Acts of the year 1878, that wardens and clerks of precincts in the city of Boston shall be appointed by the mayor and aldermen, and be selected from different political parties. Wardens and precinct clerks in Boston.

On motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider what further legislation, if any, is necessary for the better publication of the election laws for the guidance of voters. Election laws.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of declaring the day on which the election for State or national officers is held a public holiday. Election day a holiday.

On motion of Mr. Andrew of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 98 of the Acts of the year 1880, relating to the limitation of actions. Limitation of actions.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire whether any legislation is desirable concerning the transfer of shares and registered bonds and securities subject to trusts. Transfer of shares.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, a Bill relating to trustee process. Read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Trustee process.

Reports, etc., Referred.

The following reports were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth:—

School for the blind. Forty-ninth annual report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind; and

Idiotic youth. Thirty-third annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for Idiotic and Feeble-Minded Youth.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Registration report. Thirty-eighth annual report relating to the registry and return of births, marriages, and deaths in the Commonwealth for the year ending Dec. 31, 1879. Referred to the committee on Labor.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Polls, property, and taxes. Aggregates of polls, property, taxes, etc., as assessed May 1, 1880. Referred to the committee on Finance.

At thirty minutes past two o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, Jan. 11, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

T. J. Hennesey. By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of Timothy J. Hennesey for State aid.

T. F. Newton. By Mr. Taylor of Haverhill, petition of Thomas F. Newton for payment for service in the Seventh Regiment from April 19 to July 12, 1861.

Jane Grady. By Mr. Love of Webster, petition of Mrs. Jane Grady for State aid.

Elvira F. Buck. By Mr. Hadley of Marion, petition of Elvira F. Buck for State aid.

Severally referred to the committee on Claims.

Biennial elections. By Mr. Hamlin of Boston, remonstrance of John Merrill and others; by Mr. Tufts of Boston, remonstrance of A. F. Everett and others; by Mr. Almy of Salem, remonstrance of N. L. Poole and others; and, by Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, remonstrance of Hiram K. Eastman and 90 others, — severally against biennial elections.

Severally referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, petition of the mayor of Boston for an act legalizing instruction in military drill in the public schools. Referred to the committee on Education. Drill in Boston schools.

By Mr. Brown of Marblehead, petition of John P. Thomas and others of Swampscott for amendment of the law for the preservation of lobsters. Lobsters.

By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, petition of the directors of Long-Pond Fishing Company in Yarmouth for an amendment of its act of incorporation. Long-Pond Fishing Company.

Severally referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

By Mr. Butler of Boston, petition of Thomas Waterman and others for amendment of the certificate of incorporation of the Supreme Council of the Home Circle of Boston. Referred to the committee on Insurance. Supreme Council of Home Circle.

By Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, petition of J. H. Jessop and others for incorporation as the Winthrop Gas Company. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Winthrop Gas Company.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of Otis Clapp, president of the Washingtonian Home, for the passage of an act giving to that institution a percentage of the fees received for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Washingtonian Home.

By Mr. Mackintosh of Needham, petition of H. H. Hunnewell and 274 others of Needham, that said town may be divided, and a new town incorporated from the westerly part thereof, under the name of Wellesley; and a petition of J. G. Abbott and 57 others in aid of the same. Needham and Wellesley.

By Mr. Hadley of Marion, petition of the selectmen of Wareham for confirmation of the boundary-lines between the towns of Sandwich and Wareham. Sandwich and Wareham.

Severally referred to the committee on Towns.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, petition of the mayor of Boston for legislation to more clearly define the respective liabilities of steam and street railroad corporations for the construction and maintenance of bridges over streets. Referred to the committee on Street Railways. Liabilities of steam and street railways for bridges over highways.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, petition of the Central Wharf and Wet Dock Corporation for authority to purchase real estate, and for other purposes. Central Wharf and Wet Dock Company.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, petition of the mayor of Boston for an act prohibiting the use of the city seal for Boston city seal and badges.

other than city business, and the counterfeiting of the badges of the city officials.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Ballot-boxes
and tickets at
elections.

By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, petition of Dean Dudley and others of Wakefield for a law forbidding town and city officers from ordering more than one ballot-box for each voting-place, or more than one ticket for each election, and for other purposes. Referred to the committee on Elections.

Message from the Governor.

A communication was received from his Excellency the Governor, transmitting the following documents:—

Protection of
woodlands.

Memorial of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, relative to legislation for the better protection of the woodlands of the country. Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Yorktown.

Report of Solomon Lincoln, jun., commissioner for Massachusetts upon the Yorktown centennial celebration, relative to said celebration; and

Ibid—ex-speakers
of national
House.

Communication from the Hon. George B. Loring, M.C., relative to the Yorktown centennial celebration; also relative to the matter of portraits of ex-speakers of the national House of Representatives, who were from Massachusetts.

Severally referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

District police.

Report of the chief of the Massachusetts district police for the year ending Dec. 31, 1880. Referred to the committee on Labor.

Lunatic-
asylums.

Forty-eighth annual report of the trustees of the State Lunatic-Hospital at Worcester, and report of the trustees of the temporary asylum for the chronic insane;

Twenty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the State Lunatic-Hospital at Northampton;

Third annual report of the trustees of the State Lunatic-Hospital at Danvers;

Twenty-seventh annual report of the trustees of the State Lunatic-Hospital at Taunton;

State
almshouse.

Annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury; and

State
workhouse.

Annual report of the trustees of the State Workhouse at Bridgewater.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Communication Received.

A communication from the superintendent and trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, enclosing estimates for various purposes, and asking appropriations therefor, was received, referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, and sent up for concurrence.

State
Almshouse.

Changes in Committees.

The Speaker announced the following changes in committees:—

Changes in
committees.

That Mr. Hatch of Fall River would serve on the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, in the place of Mr. Clarke of New Bedford, who asked to be excused from serving thereon; also,

That Mr. Butler of Boston, would, in accordance with his request, be excused from serving on the committee on Labor, and Mr. French of Lynn would be excused from serving on the committee on Elections; and that each of the gentlemen named would serve in the position vacated by the other.

Taken from the Files.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Marblehead, the petition of the town of Swampscott for an act authorizing said town to pay a certain claim to John P. Palmer, referred by the last General Court to the present one, was taken from the files, and referred to the committee on Towns.

Swampscott —
Palmer.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, the Bill to establish a reformatory for male prisoners, referred by the last General Court to the present one, was taken from the files, and referred to the committee on Prisons.

Male
reformatory.

Severally sent up for concurrence. .

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, a Bill concerning the payment of laborers' wages by cities. Read, and referred to the committee on Labor.

Laborers'
wages.

By Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge, a Bill to regulate the granting of licenses to sell intoxicating liquors. Read, and referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Liquor licenses.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Wells of Cambridge, a Bill relating to the municipal courts of the city of Boston.

Boston courts.

Claims against
other States.

By Mr. Searles of Northbridge, a Bill to protect the rights of citizens of this State holding claims against other States.

Severally read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

Disfranchise-
ment on account
of pauper
insanity.

On motion of Mr. Carroll of Marblehead, —

Ordered, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of so amending article III. of the amendments of the Constitution, that no citizen of this Commonwealth shall be disfranchised by reason of some member of his family being supported at a State lunatic-hospital at public expense.

First clerk in
Secretary's
department.

On motion of Mr. Thomas of Brookline, —

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider whether the salary of the first clerk and deputy in the Secretary's department is adequate to the services rendered by him, and, if found insufficient, report a bill for its increase.

Inspection of
fish.

On motion of Mr. Coffin of Newburyport, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Fisheries consider the expediency of amending chapter 49 of the General Statutes, in relation to the inspection of fish.

Inspection of
buildings.

On motion of Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor be empowered to inquire into and report as to whether the laws in relation to the inspection of buildings are enforced in the cities and towns throughout the Commonwealth, and, if not, to make such changes as will cause them to be complied with.

Medical
examiners.

On motion of Mr. Hartwell of Southbridge, —

*Ordered,** That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending section 3, chapter 200 of the Acts of the year 1877, so as to provide for increased compensation for travel in certain cases to medical examiners, and to enlarge the powers of said officers under said act; and also of amending said act so as to provide for inquests in all cases of death by accident on account of injuries received from machinery of any corporation established under the laws of this Commonwealth.

Exemption of
vessels in foreign
carrying trade.

On motion of Mr. Brackett of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of exempting from taxation ships and vessels employed in the foreign carrying trade.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the law relating to the foreclosure of mortgages upon real estate by open and peaceable entry, that the mortgagors shall be served with a copy of the certificate before the same is recorded, or otherwise notified of such entry for possession.

Foreclosure of mortgages on real estate.

On motion of Mr. Hartwell of Southbridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law that no sale, pledge, mortgage, or lien upon any household furniture or family supplies, in use, or designed for the use of any family in this Commonwealth, shall be valid, except with the written assent of the wife.

Liens on household articles.

On motion of Mr. Allen of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider whether any legislation is necessary to secure the franchise to soldiers and sailors who have had a domicile within the Commonwealth, and who have not acquired any other domicile, but who have been prevented, by absence upon the seas or in the service, from complying with the provisions of the law as to residence within the Commonwealth.

Disfranchisement on account of loss of domicile.

On motion of Mr. Hill of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Finance have authority to report from time to time such appropriation bills as the exigencies of the public service may require, and to employ such clerical assistance as may be necessary.

Appropriation bills.

On motion of Mr. Merritt of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the auditor of accounts be authorized to submit in print the usual summary of his annual report, for the early use of the Legislature.

Auditor's report.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the resolve and proposed article of amendment providing for an amendment to the Constitution to provide for biennial elections be taken from the files of last year, and referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Biennial elections.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Resolve and proposed article of amendment providing for an amendment to the Constitution to prevent the disfranchisement of certain soldiers and sailors becoming paupers be taken from the files of last year, and referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Disfranchisement of soldiers and sailors.

Committee on
Public Charita-
ble Institutions.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Charitable Institutions be authorized to visit said institutions at such times as they may deem expedient.

Drunkenness.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of amending chapter 221 of the Acts of the year 1880, being "An Act relative to the punishment of drunkenness."

Committee on
Prisons.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons be authorized to visit the prisons, jails, and houses of correction of the Commonwealth at such times as they shall deem expedient.

Insurance
commissioner.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the insurance commissioner be requested to make a special report to the Legislature, as soon as practicable, relative to legislation on the subject of insurance.

Globe Rubber
Company.

The petition of the Globe Rubber Company was referred in concurrence to the committee on Manufactures.

Clinton
water-supply.

A Bill in addition to "An Act to supply the town of Clinton with pure water," introduced on leave in the Senate, was read, and referred in concurrence to the committee on Public Health.

Report of a Committee.

Committee
on Labor.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, from the committee on Joint Rules and Orders, on an order relative to amending joint Rule No. 1, that the following order should be adopted:—

Ordered, That joint Rule No. 1 be amended by inserting after the words, "a committee on Insurance," the words, "a committee on Labor."

Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

At thirty-five minutes past two o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 12, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dunning of Boston.

Death of a Member.

Death of Mr.
Hyde of Lee.

Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge announced that Mr. Alexander Hyde of Lee, representative from the Fifth Berkshire

District, while on his way yesterday afternoon from the State House to his hotel, after the adjournment of the House, died very suddenly from heart-disease.

Mr. Dunham moved that a committee of seven be appointed to attend the funeral, and prepare resolutions of respect in honor of the deceased. The motion was unanimously adopted by a rising vote, and Messrs. Dunham of Stockbridge, Bidwell of Monterey, Higginson of Cambridge, Root of Barre, Lincoln of Barnstable, E. R. Webster of Boston, and Look of Leominster, were appointed.

On further motion of Mr. Dunham, the House, at five minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, Jan. 13, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Brown of Marblehead, petition of the Marblehead and Swampscott Farmers' Club for the establishment of an experimental station at the Massachusetts Agricultural College. Experimental station.

By Mr. Paddock of Nantucket, petition of the Nantucket Agricultural Society for payment of bounty for 1879. Nantucket Agricultural Society.

By Mr. Brown of Lowell, petition of J. A. Richardson and others for an investigation of the subject of ensilage by the Legislature. Ensilage.

By Mr. Collamore of Pembroke, petition of the Marshfield Agricultural and Horticultural Society for an act enabling said society to mortgage its property. Marshfield Agricultural Society.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, petition of the Middlesex Agricultural Society for payment of bounty for 1880. Middlesex Agricultural Society.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, petition of Walter Shanly for remuneration for losses sustained by him in the construction of the Hoosac Tunnel. Hoosac Tunnel.

By Mr. Fuller of Framingham, petition of John McGrath for compensation for injuries received while employed in the State Lunatic-Hospital at Worcester in 1857. John McGrath.

Severally referred to the committee on Claims,

Boston school
committee.

By Mr. Shepard of Boston, petition of Silas Peirce & Company for the passage of an act requiring the school committee of Boston to confine its expenditures within the limits of the appropriations of the city council. Referred to the committee on Education.

International
Trust Company.

By Mr. Bradford of Boston, petition of M. L. Bradford for amendment of the charter of the International Trust Company. Referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Biennial
elections.

By Mr. Quirk of Boston, remonstrance of Nat. M. Cullis and others; by Mr. Tapley of Danvers, remonstrance of George Brown and others; by Mr. Steele of Gloucester, remonstrance of Edward N. Ray and others; by Mr. Richardson of Rockport, remonstrance of M. I. Emerson and others; by Mr. Atwood of Stoughton, remonstrance of Hugh Clinton and others; by Mr. Shepard of Boston, remonstrance of A. M. Van Eaton and others; by Mr. Gifford of Salem, remonstrance of John Jones and others; by Mr. Bosworth of Easthampton, remonstrance of A. B. Adams and others; by Mr. Cogswell of Salem, remonstrance of Daniel B. Lord and others; by Mr. Reade of Boston, remonstrance of William Sheehan and others; by Mr. Parmenter of Amherst, remonstrance of W. B. Rand and others; by Mr. E. R. Webster of Boston, remonstrance of Ira B. Barron and others; and, by Mr. Eddy of Erving, remonstrance of W. H. Gale and others, — severally against biennial elections.

Severally referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Shad and
alewives in
Connecticut
River.

By Mr. Merritt of Springfield, petition of James Kirkham and others, and, by Mr. Bumstead of Springfield, petition of Homer Foot and others, — severally for a change in the laws relative to catching shad and alewives in Connecticut River.

Severally referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Liquor law.

By Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, petition of Harriet E. Clark and others, that the question whether the license law shall be repealed, and a prohibitory law be enacted, may be submitted to a vote of the whole people above the age of twenty-one years. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

East Boston
Dock and
Elevator
Company.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, petition of J. M. Clark and others for incorporation as the East Boston Dock and Elevator Company. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Atwood of Stoughton, petition of the Old Colony Railroad Company for authority to take land for railroad purposes in Fall River.

Old Colony
Railroad
Company.

By Mr. Phillips of Springfield, petition of the Hartford and Connecticut-Valley Railroad Company for authority to extend their railroad from the State line of Massachusetts in the town of Agawam to Springfield and Holyoke.

Hartford and
Connecticut-
Valley Railroad.

By Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge, petition of Alfred Gilmore and others, that the Housatonic Railroad Company may be authorized to discontinue its station at Lenox on certain conditions.

Railroad station
in Lenox.

Severally referred to the committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Dever of Boston, petition of Charles S. Bolton, for arrears of money due him from the State for services rendered in the late war. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Charles S.
Bolton.

By Mr. Wilcox of Milford, petition of Moses Joy, jun., and others, for an act of incorporation as the Wapowage Water Company, for furnishing the town of Milford with water.

Wapowage
Water
Company.

By Mr. Corey of Bedford, petition of Moses Joy, jun., and others, for incorporation as the Lexington Water Company.

Lexington
Water
Company.

By Mr. Stone of Winchester, petition of the town of Arlington for legislation to protect the purity of the water of Mystic Lower Pond and Alewife Brook.

Mystic Lower
Pond and
Alewife Brook.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Collamore of Pembroke, petition of the selectmen of Marshfield for the repeal of the law of 1870, authorizing the building of a bridge across Green Harbor River in Marshfield. Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Green Harbor
River.

By Mr. Packard of Brockton, petition of C. R. Ford and others of Brockton, that said town may have authority to issue further bonds for the purpose of extending the water-supply pipes of the Brockton water-works.

Brockton water-
works.

By Mr. Mackintosh of Needham, petition of A. D. Hildreth and others for a division of the town of Needham, and, by the same gentleman, remonstrance of Galen Orr and 594 others against the same.

Division of
Needham.

Severally referred to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, petition of John W. Hart and others for incorporation as the Salem Police Relief Association. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Salem Police
Relief Associa-
tion.

Ebenezer Gay. By Mr. Bradford of Boston, petition of Ebenezer Gay for pay for services in the Suffolk probate registry in March and April, 1879. Referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Introduced on Leave.

Tax-sales. By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, a Bill in relation to taking and selling on execution rights of redeeming land from tax-sales. Read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Partition of lands. By Mr. Wells of Cambridge, a Bill to amend section 64 of chapter 136 of the General Statutes, relating to the partition of lands. Read, and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Orders.

Biennial elections. On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, —
Ordered, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of so amending the second proposed amendment as to biennial elections, as to provide for the election of one-half of the members of the Senate and House of Representatives each year, to serve for a term of two years.

Tax qualification for voters. On motion of Mr. McGeough of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of amending article III. of the amendments to the Constitution so that the payment of a tax shall not be required as a qualification to vote.

Sanitary condition of school buildings. On motion of Mr. Butler of Somerville, —
Ordered, That the committee on Education consider what further legislation, if any, is needed in regard to the sanitary condition of the public-school buildings in the Commonwealth.

Harbor-masters. On motion of Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, —
Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands inquire into the expediency of empowering the commissioners on harbors and public lands to appoint harbor-masters for harbors where none exist, when so requested and the same is by them deemed expedient.

Licensing engineers. On motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of a law providing for the licensing of engineers in charge of steam-boilers.

On motion of Mr. Carroll of Marblehead, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of so amending chapter 53 of the Resolves of the year 1869, that the testimonials to soldiers and sailors therein provided for may be re-issued by the adjutant-general in case of loss.

Soldiers' and sailors' testimonials.

On motion of Mr. Wilcox of Milford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of amending the settlement laws.

Settlement laws.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That in view of the great loss of life in public institutions in other States, by reason of want of proper facilities for extinguishing fires, and want of ample means of escape from such buildings when on fire, it is deemed advisable to have the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider what legislation, if any, is necessary to protect the inmates of our public charitable institutions from such danger.

Dangers of fire in public institutions.

On motion of Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation to enable cities and towns to supply the sick poor, free of expense, with medical advice and medicines.

Free medical attendance on the poor.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of North Adams, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads have authority to visit and examine the several railroads in the Commonwealth at such times as they may deem expedient.

Committee on Railroads.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Donovan of Lawrence, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation to prevent the issuing of writs by persons not members of the legal profession.

Writs.

On motion of Mr. Shepard of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 8, chapter 301 of the Acts of the year 1879, entitled "An Act to provide for the payment of State aid to disabled soldiers and sailors," so that the oath therein required by the mayor and a majority of the board of aldermen may be made hereafter by a committee of not less than three members of said board of aldermen.

The oath in State aid cases.

On motion of Mr. Andrew of Boston, —
Equity jurisdiction. *Ordered,* That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 2, chapter 113, of the General Statutes, in relation to the equity jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial Court.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, —
County commissioners. *Ordered,* That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation in regard to the beginning of the term of office of county commissioners and special county commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Albee of Cambridge, —
Committee on Elections. *Ordered,* That the committee on Elections be authorized to send for persons and papers in all cases referred to them.

On motion of Mr. Butler of Somerville, —
Reading of bills, etc. *Ordered,* That all bills, resolves, and other papers that have been, or, under the rules or usage of the House, are to be, printed, shall be read by their titles only, unless the full reading is requested.

On motion of Mr. Mackintosh of Needham, —
Election of United-States senator. *Ordered,* That the hour of two and one-half o'clock, on Tuesday the eighteenth day of January, be assigned as the time for the election of a United-States senator on the part of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —
Adjournment over Saturday. *Ordered,* That, when the House adjourns to-morrow, it be to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

Taken from the Files.

Lynn. On motion of Mr. Beckford of Lynn, the petition of the mayor of Lynn for an amendment of the charter of said city, referred by the last General Court to the present one, was taken from the files, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

East Bridgewater. On motion of Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, the petition of B. F. Ellis and others for a law authorizing the town of East Bridgewater to pay certain bounties, referred by the last General Court to the present one, was taken from the files, referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence.

Reports, etc., Referred.

Lexington Savings Bank. The annual report of the receivers of the Lexington Savings Bank; and the

Annual report of the receivers of the Rockport Savings Bank; Rockport Savings Bank.

Were received, severally referred to the committee on Banks and Banking, and sent up for concurrence.

The following were received from the Secretary's department, and severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary:—

Abstracts of the returns of sheriffs for the year ending Sept. 30, 1880; and the Sheriffs.

Abstracts of returns of registers of deeds for the year ending Sept. 30, 1880. Registers of deeds.

Estimates of appropriations for the several departments for the year 1881, and nine months of 1882, were received, and referred to the committee on Finance. Estimates.

Laid on the Table.

Copies of petitions filed in the Secretary's department, as required by chapter 160 of the Acts of 1880, were received, and, on motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly, were laid on the table. Petitions in Secretary's department.

Change in a Committee.

The Speaker announced that Mr. Hale of Milford would serve on the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies in the place of Mr. Burpee of Sterling, who asked to be excused from serving thereon. Change in a committee.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to declaring the day for the election of State or national officers a public holiday. Election day a holiday.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing the trustee process. Trustee process.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the publication of the election laws for the guidance of voters. Election laws.

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the transfer of shares, registered bonds, and securities subject to trusts. Transfer of shares.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Disfranchise-
ment of soldiers
and sailors.

By Mr. Clarke of New Bedford, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, that the Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution to prevent the disfranchisement of certain soldiers and sailors becoming paupers ought to pass.

Trustee process.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (on leave) relating to trustee process ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Merritt of Springfield, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the mileage and compensation of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for other purposes.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the Senate.

Tide harbors.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be instructed to consider the expediency of amending chapter 432 of the Laws of the year 1869, being, "An Act to further protect the interests of the Commonwealth in tide harbors."

Securities of
savings banks.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of allowing savings banks to enlarge the list of securities upon which they are allowed to make loans.

Duties of
assessors.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Taxation inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 170 of the Laws of the Commonwealth for the year 1866, relating to the duties of assessors of taxes, providing suitable penalties for neglect or failure to perform the duties therein specified, and also what other legislation is necessary upon the subject.

Attendance
on schools.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education inquire what legislation may be necessary to secure the better attendance of children upon the public schools.

Contagious
diseases in
schools.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health be directed to inquire what further legislation, if any, is necessary for the protection of the children in the public schools against contagious diseases.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the annual report of the manager of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Manager's
report on
Hoosac Tunnel.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad be authorized to visit the tunnel and railroad at such times as they shall deem expedient.

Committee on
tunnel.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the two branches of the Legislature assemble in joint convention on Wednesday, the nineteenth day of January instant, at noon, for the purpose of comparing the journals of the two branches, and performing all acts and things necessary and proper to be in joint convention performed, in relation to the election of a person to represent the State in the Senate of the United States, for the term of six years from the 4th of March next, in accordance with the provisions of the act of Congress to regulate the times and manner of holding elections for Senators in Congress.

Joint convention
to elect a
United-States
senator.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of erecting a dwelling-house at the State Prison, to be rented to the chaplain.

Chaplain's
house at State
Prison.

The House order adopted Jan. 10, relative to repealing or amending chapter 227 of the Acts of the year 1880, concerning an excise tax on life-insurance companies, came down from the Senate with an amendment referring the subject-matter of the order to the committee on Taxation instead of to the committee on Insurance, in which amendment the House concurred.

Excise tax on
life-insurance
companies.

The following papers were referred in concurrence : —

Petition of the Cape-Cod Canal Company for extension of time for filing location. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Cape-Cod Canal
Company.

Petition of Moody Merrill and others for an act of incorporation as the Oakland-Garden Association. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Oakland
Garden.

Petition of the Hingham Water Company for extension of its works into Cohasset and Hull; and

Hingham Water
Company.

Petition of the mayor of Boston for authority to take land for the extension of the high-service water-supply.

Boston high
service.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Petition of the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company for extension of time within which to locate and construct its road, for authority to locate its road in the

Massachusetts
Central
Railroad.

town of Belmont and on certain lands of the Fitchburg Railroad Company, and for other purposes;
 New-Haven and Northampton Company.
 State directors. Petition of the New-Haven and Northampton Company for authority to issue bonds; and
 Report of the State directors of the Boston and Albany Railroad Corporation.
 Severally to the committee on Railroads.

Petitions.

The House petitions:
 Of Mrs. Jane Grady for State aid;
 Of Elvira F. Buck for State aid;
 Of Timothy J. Hennesey for State aid; and
 Of Thomas F. Newton for payment for service in the Seventh Regiment from April 19 to July 12, 1861;
 Severally referred in the House to the committee on Claims, came down from the Senate referred in non-concurrence to the committee on Military Affairs, in which reference the House concurred.

Governor's address.

The report, in part, of the joint special committee on Rules and Orders, on the disposition of the Governor's address:

That so much thereof as relates to co-operative saving-fund and loan associations be referred to the committee on Labor;

That so much thereof as relates to manufactures be referred to the committee on Manufactures;

That so much thereof as relates to the laws relating to election returns be referred to a joint special committee consisting of three on the part of the Senate, and eight on the part of the House; and

That so much thereof as relates to divorce be referred to a joint special committee consisting of the committees on Probate and Chancery of the two branches;

Was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule.

Joint Rules and Orders.

The report of the joint special committee appointed to prepare Rules and Orders for the government of the two branches, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Joint Rules and Orders, on an order relative to amending joint Rule No. 1 so as to include the joint special committee on Labor among the joint standing committees, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

At ten minutes before three o'clock P.M. adjourned.

FRIDAY, Jan. 14, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Thomas of Brookline, petition of Alexander H. Rice and others to be incorporated under the name of the American Trust Company.

By the same gentleman, petition of the Massachusetts Hospital Life-Insurance Company for an amendment to its charter.

Severally referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Lyon of Boston, remonstrance of John K. Amsden and others; by Mr. White of Boston, remonstrance of Patrick Donovan and others; by Mr. Burke of Boston, remonstrance of J. P. Smith and others; by Mr. McGeough of Boston, remonstrance of Nicholas Furlong and others; and, by John G. Webster of Boston, remonstrance of T. H. Miller and others,—severally against biennial elections.

Severally referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, petition of Clark Lincoln, treasurer of the Nine-Mile Pond Fishing Company, for amendment of charter of said company. Referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

By Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, petition of George B. Barstow and others in aid of petition of Harriet E. Clark and others, relative to vote of the whole people on the liquor law. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Prouty of Spencer, petition of William Upham and others of Spencer for the incorporation of the Spencer Gas Company. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, petition of Frederick B. Kellogg for State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Wright of Holyoke, petition of J. L. Worthy and others, and, by Mr. Phillips of Springfield, petition of L. W. Fiske and others,—severally in aid of petition of

American Trust Company.

Massachusetts Hospital Life-Insurance Company.

Biennial elections.

Nine-Mile Pond Fishing Company.

Liquor law.

Spencer Gas Company.

F. B. Kellogg.

Hartford and Connecticut Valley Railroad.

Hartford and Connecticut-Valley Railroad Company for authority to extend its road.

Severally referred to the committee on Railroads.

Divorce.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, petition of the Salem Association of Congregational Clergymen; by C. J. Noyes of Boston, petition of the Episcopal Church Association; by Mr. Buck of Clarksburg, petition of Arthur Lawrence and others; by Mr. Hill of Boston, petition of thirty-six Protestant-Episcopal clergymen; by Mr. Avery of Plymouth, petition of the Plymouth Association; by Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, petition of the Suffolk South Association of Congregational Clergymen; by Mr. Beckford of Lynn, petition of G. F. Eaton and others; and, by Mr. Fuller of Framingham, petition of the Middlesex South Association of Congregational Ministers,—severally for such legislation as will mitigate the evils of divorce.

Severally referred to the joint special committee on Probate and Chancery.

Woman suffrage.

By Mr. Look of Leominster, petition of Jonathan Drake and 161 others for a law enabling women to vote in presidential elections, also in the election of county, town, and municipal officers; also for an amendment to the Constitution, establishing the equal political rights of all American citizens, irrespective of sex. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Fiske of Holliston,—

Insurance policies.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending the laws relative to policies of insurance.

On motion of Mr. Howard of Fall River,—

The "truck system."

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider what legislation is necessary to obtain in full all wages for employes due them by employers in cash, and prevent the so-called "truck system."

On motion of Mr. Carroll of Marblehead,—

Inspection laws.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of so amending the present inspection laws, that it shall be the duty of the chief engineers of the fire departments of the cities and towns of the Commonwealth to notify the chief inspector of public buildings and factories, whenever in his judgment there exists any danger to life and property from fire.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor inquire as to whether proper precautions are taken in factories and workshops to prevent fire and consequent danger to the lives of employes; and also as to whether the existing laws supply sufficient authority to inspectors of factories and public buildings to enable them to enter and examine factories and workshops, and remove existing dangers.

Enforcement of inspection laws.

On motion of Mr. Poor of Lawrence, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of providing by law for a reasonable fee to be paid by those engaged in the sale of milk in cities, said fees to be devoted to the paying of some suitable person, whose duty it shall be to prevent any adulteration of the same.

Milk.

On motion of Mr. Bail of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be instructed to consider what amendments, if any, are needed in the laws relating to the prisons of the Commonwealth.

Prison laws.

On motion of Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of exempting from taxation owners of homesteads to the amount of a thousand dollars.

Homesteads.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Wells of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of legislation providing that justices of the supreme judicial and superior courts, and judges of probate and insolvency, after having held their commissions for a certain number of years, and on arriving at a certain age, may resign and be retired upon a suitable allowance, to be paid in the same manner and out of the same funds as their salaries are now paid, or in such manner as may be deemed expedient.

Retirement of judicial officers.

On motion of Mr. Ames of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Chancery consider the expediency of legislation creating the office of associate judge of probate and insolvency in such counties of the Commonwealth as they deem proper.

Associate judge of probate.

On motion of Mr. Hill of Boston, —

Ordered, That the text of the annual report of the deputy tax commissioner, preceding the tables, be printed at once as a legislative document.

Deputy tax commissioner's report.

Introduced on Leave.

Natick. By Mr. McManus of Natick, a Bill to authorize the town of Natick to raise money for celebrating the centennial anniversary of its incorporation. Read, referred to the committee on Towns, and sent up for concurrence.

Executors, etc. By Mr. Sprague of Boston, a Bill relating to the delivery by executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees, of property in their hands to their successors upon their resignation.

Husbands, wives, and children. By Mr. Wells of Cambridge, a Bill to amend chapter 64 of the Acts of the year 1880, giving probate courts jurisdiction of rights of husbands and wives, and for the protection of minor children.

Severally read, and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Reports Referred.

State primary and reform schools. A message was received from the Governor, transmitting the annual report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools for the year 1880, which was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, and sent up for concurrence.

Tax commissioner's report. The annual report of the deputy tax commissioner; and the

Auditor's report. Summary of the annual report of the auditor of accounts for the year ending Dec. 31, 1880;

Were received, and severally referred to the committee on Finance.

Committee Announced.

Committee on Election Laws. The Speaker announced as the joint special committee on Election Laws, on the part of the House, Messrs. Brown of Boston, Baker of Beverly, Jefferson of Worcester, Lincoln of Barnstable, I. E. Noyes of Boston, Bryant of Russell, Porter of Rowe, and Stanton of Fall River.

Papers from the Senate.

Fire-arms. *Ordered,* In concurrence, that the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of repealing so much of the General Statutes as relates to the proving of fire-arms.

Tax commission of 1875. *Ordered,* in concurrence, that the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of printing an additional number of the copies of the report of the commission on revision of tax laws for the year 1875.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws have power to send for persons and papers. Committee on Election Laws.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the State House inquire into the expediency of constructing one or more passenger-elevators. State-House elevators.

The petition of Henry M. Whitney and others, asking for incorporation as the Boston Lighterage Company, came down, referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands. On motion of Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, the House non-concurred, and, on his further motion, it was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and sent up for concurrence. Boston Lighterage Company.

The following papers were referred in concurrence:—

Petitions of the Berkshire North Association of Congregational Ministers, the Suffolk South Association of Congregational Ministers, George Z. Gray and others,—severally for such legislation as will mitigate the evils of divorce. Divorce.

Severally to the joint special committee on Probate and Chancery.

Reports:

Of the receivers of the West-Boston Savings Bank ; Savings banks.
 Of the receivers of the Barnstable Savings Bank ;
 Of the receivers of the Scituate Savings Bank ;
 Of the receivers of the North-Bridgewater Savings Bank ; and
 Of the receivers of the Lancaster Savings Bank.
 Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to appointment of wardens and clerks of precincts in the city of Boston. Wardens and precinct clerks.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to securing the franchise to certain soldiers and sailors who have lost their domicile by absence on the seas or in the service. Loss of domicile by soldiers and sailors.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to repeal chapter 98 of the Acts of the year 1880, relating to the limitation of actions. Read, and ordered to a second reading. Limitation of actions.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

Reports of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to abolishing the trustee process;

On an order relative to declaring the day for the election of State or national officers a public holiday;

On an order relative to the publication of the election laws, for the guidance of voters; and

On an order relative to the transfer of shares, registered bonds, and securities subject to trusts;

Were severally accepted.

The report of the joint special committee appointed to prepare Rules and Orders for the government of the two branches, was, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, postponed for consideration until Monday.

Bills:

Relating to trustee process;

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year; and

Making appropriations for the mileage and compensation of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for other purposes; and the

Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution to prevent the disfranchisement of certain soldiers and sailors becoming paupers;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

At thirty-five minutes past two o'clock adjourned.

MONDAY, Jan. 17, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Sesuet Cran-
berry Company.

By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, petition of Mary C. Paddock and others for incorporation as the Sesuet Cranberry Company. Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Biennial
elections.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, remonstrance of Joseph Jackson, and, by Mr. Stover of Boston, remonstrance of Charles Finnegan and others,—severally against biennial elections.

Severally referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Lincoln of Barnstable, petition of the Barnstable Conference of Congregational Churches, and, by Mr. Marshall of Worcester, petition of the Worcester South Conference of Congregational Churches, — severally for such legislation as will mitigate the evils of divorce. Divorce.

Severally referred to the joint special committee on Probate and Chancery.

By Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, petition of the selectmen of Sandwich for relief for support of Charles F. Freeman at the Danvers hospital. Sandwich —
Charles F.
Freeman.

By the same gentleman, petition of the selectmen of Sandwich for relief for expense incurred in procuring special police to protect the citizens of Sandwich from the Italian laborers on the Cape-Cod Canal. Sandwich —
Italian laborers

By Mr. Shepard of Boston, petition of the Tucker Manufacturing Company for re-imbursement for shavings and sawdust supplied to the State Prison at Charlestown. Tucker Manu-
facturing Com-
pany.

Severally referred to the committee on Claims.

By Mr. Shepard of Boston, petitions of Joseph Sawyer and others, Wesley A. Gove and others, and George O. Jenkins and others, — severally for a law requiring the school committee of Boston to confine its expenditures within the appropriations made by the city council. Boston school
committee.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Rand of Medford, petition of the Middlesex Aqueduct Company for authority to take real estate for increased water-supply, and for forming dams or reservoirs to hold the same. Referred to the committee on Public Health. Middlesex
Aqueduct
Company.

By Mr. Clapp of Boston, petition of Joseph Hicks and others for the annexation of a portion of the town of Hingham and a portion of the town of Cohasset to the town of Hull. Referred to the committee on Towns. Hingham,
Cohasset, and
Hull.

By Mr. Tinkham of Boston, petition of B. Franklin Clark and others; by Mr. Parmenter of Amherst, petition of Mrs. A. G. Hill and 50 others; by Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of Lizzie Brigham and 26 others; and, by Mr. Stover of Boston, petition of Harriet B. Hersey and others, — severally for woman suffrage. Woman
suffrage.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage. Severally sent up for concurrence.

Trustee process. By Mr. Crandall of Attleborough, petition of F. I. Borden & Company and others against further legislation concerning the trustee process. Placed on file.

Orders.

Ballots at elections. On motion of Mr. Phillips of Springfield, —
Ordered, That the joint special committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending the Statutes as to require the names of all candidates voted for by each voter at any national, state, or municipal election to be included on a single ballot.

City and town supervisors. On motion of Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, —
Ordered, That the joint special committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing by law for the appointment of state, city, or town supervisors, who shall have and exercise all the powers performed by United-States supervisors at national elections, three in each precinct of a ward in cities like Boston, the clerk to record at the close of the polls the number of votes cast to be checked by supervisors, and certified to be correct; the board of supervisors to be of different political parties, — Republican, Democratic, and Greenback.

Elevators. On motion of Mr. Ames of Worcester, —
Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation to regulate the building of elevators, making them self-closing, for the further prevention of loss of life, and damage by fire.

Militia laws. On motion of Mr. Quirk of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of amending the militia laws.

Taxation of savings banks. On motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the present method of taxing savings banks and institutions for savings, and the expediency of changing the laws relative thereto.

Collectors of taxes. On motion of Mr. Stickney of Chelsea, —
Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending chapter 12 of the General Statutes so as to authorize collectors of taxes, who are paid by fixed annual salaries, to transfer their tax-lists to their successors upon the expiration of their terms of office.

County accounts. On motion of Mr. Thomas of Brookline, —
Ordered, That the commissioners of savings banks and

institutions for savings be directed to report in print the result of their annual examination of county accounts.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Reading Savings Bank.

The report of the receivers of the Reading Savings Bank was received, referred to the committee on Banks and Banking, and sent up for concurrence.

Reading
Savings Bank.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, a Bill for the better security of the ballot. Read, and referred to the committee on Election Laws.

The ballot.

By Mr. Gifford of Salem, a Bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy in this Commonwealth. Read, and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Pharmacy.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Expenditures examine into the condition of the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General of the Commonwealth, and witness the transfer of the same to the Treasurer and Receiver-General elect.

Securities in
State treasury.

A Resolve relative to the distribution of certain documents, introduced on leave in the Senate, was read, and referred in concurrence to the committee on Printing.

Public
documents.

A petition of the faculty of Andover Theological Seminary for such legislation as will mitigate the evils of divorce was referred in concurrence to the joint special committee on Probate and Chancery.

Divorce.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the joint special committee appointed to prepare rules and orders for the government of the two branches, was, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to appointment of wardens and clerks of precincts in the city of Boston, was, on motion of the same gentleman, referred to the committee on Election Laws, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to securing the franchise to certain soldiers and sailors who have lost their domicile by absence on the seas or in the service, was accepted.

The Bill to repeal chapter 98 of the Acts of the year 1880, relating to the limitation of actions, was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year; and

Making appropriations for the mileage and compensation of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for other purposes;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to trustee process was read a second time, and considered. An amendment moved by Mr. Lodge of Nahant was adopted. On the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, and, the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 62 yeas to 121 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, Charles H.
Allen, Frank D.
Andrew, John F.
Baker, John I.
Beckford, Ebenezer.
Bradford, Martin L.
Brown, Charles F.
Brown, Edward P.
Brown, Leonard.
Brown, William B.
Bulloch, Andrew.
Burt, George L.
Butler, John Haskell.
Carroll, Lewis.
Cawley, Edward.
Crowell, James A.
Davenport, James F.
Dever, John F.
Donovan, Daniel.
Fay, Thomas, jun.
French, Hartwell S.

Messrs. Galvin, Owen A.
Gargan, Frank.
Gill, Charles L.
Goodwin, John.
Hatch, Silas B.
Hill, Hamilton A.
Howard, Robert.
Joyce, John.
Learnard, George E.
Lodge, Henry C.
Love, John J.
Mackintosh, James.
Mahoney, Patrick F.
Marble, John W.
McDonald, Patrick F.
McGahey, Alexander B.
McManus, Edward.
McSorley, John.
Mellen, James H.
Miller, J. Hervey.
Moriarty, Eugene M.

Messrs. Muzzey, Henry W.
Nichols, Joseph J.
O'Neil, Joseph H.
Plunkett, Francis.
Poor, Edward P.
Prouty, Isaac L.
Quirk, Dennis G.
Reed, Charles A.
Robbins, Oliver W.
Scott, Thomas.

Messrs. Stanton, John.
Taylor, Levi.
Wales, Jonathan.
Wardwell, Henry.
Warren, Nathan.
Webster, John G.
Wells, Henry J.
White, James.
Willcutt, Levi L.
Wright, John H.

NATS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.
Ames, Edwin.
Atwood, Newell S.
Avery, Winslow W.
Bail, George W.
Bailey, Thomas F.
Baker, Thomas J.
Brackett, John Q. A.
Bugbee, James M.
Burke, William J.
Burpee, William H.
Butler, Edward P.
Cable, Hobart M.
Carleton, George H.
Clapp, Frank A.
Clark, William L.
Clarke, Albert E.
Cogswell, William.
Collamore, Francis.
Coolidge, Timothy A.
Corey, Charles A.
Crandall, George N.
Cronin, Cornelius F.
Curtis, Hiram.
Cushman, Solomon F.
Davis, Person.
Dickerman, John E.
Dorman, Asahel H.
Eager, Edward R.
Eddy, Charles A.
Edwards, James.
Evans, James M.
Farrar, Job P.
Fay, George F.
Fellows, Alonzo B.
Fernald, B. Marvin.
Fisfield, Benjamin L.

Messrs. Fiske, George B.
Floyd, Thomas.
Forbes, William T.
Foster, Enoch.
Fowler, Charles B.
Freeman, Jesse H.
Fuller, Luther F.
Gaskill, Leonard T.
Gifford, Rufus B.
Gilman, Thomas K.
Goulding, Robert.
Hadley, Stephen D.
Hale, Silas W.
Hamlin, Joseph P.
Hartwell, Samuel C.
Hemphill, Ashtun E.
Higginson, Thomas W.
Hoar, Samuel.
Holman, William F.
Hooper, Arthur.
Howland, Charles W.
Hughes, Atkins.
Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
Jenks, Henry R.
Jewett, Albert G.
Johnson, William.
Jones, Thomas B.
Keith, Albert.
Kelly, Francis B.
Kendall, Ira Y.
Lamb, Abraham J.
Lawrence, Asa S.
Livermore, George B.
Lyon, Henry.
Mansfield, Andrew.
Marshall, Asaph R.
McCullough, Thomas,

Messrs. McGeough, James A.	Messrs. Sprague, Henry H.
Milliken, Eben C.	Steele, Isaac A. S.
Morrison, Daniel T.	Stevens, Edward G.
Morse, George W.	Stickney, Joseph W.
Murphy, Timothy A.	Stover, Augustus W.
Newell, Richard.	Stowe, Edmund M.
Noyes, Increase E.	Strong, Sidney.
O'Donnell, John.	Sullivan, John C.
Parmenter, Charles O.	Swift, Charles F.
Parratt, George A.	Tapley, Gilbert A.
Porter, Burrill, jun.	Tappan, William H.
Rand, John C.	Thomas, Edward I.
Reade, John.	Tinkham, Benjamin C.
Richardson, Nathaniel, jun.	Tufts, Arthur W.
Richardson, Solon O.	Valpey, Samuel B.
Sanborn, John H.	Vinal, Quincy A.
Sawin, Otis D.	Walker, Samuel.
Sawyer, Henry O.	White, Lloyd E.
Searles, George F.	Whitney, Levi L.
Shaw, Edward P.	Wilcox, Charles W.
Shepard, George A.	Wilson, Arthur H.
Shepard, Harvey N.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.
Sheppard, Joel F.	Wood, Owen.
Snow, William O.	

Yeas, 62 ; nays, 121.

The Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution to prevent the disfranchisement of certain soldiers and sailors becoming paupers was read a third time. On the question of agreeing to said article of amendment in these words, — to wit, "No person having served in the army or navy of the United States in time of war, and having been honorably discharged from such service, if otherwise qualified to vote, shall be disqualified therefor on account of being a pauper; or, if a pauper, because of the non-payment of a poll-tax," — the roll was called and it was agreed to, two-thirds of the members of the House present and voting thereon having voted in the affirmative, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.	Messrs. Bailey, Thomas F.
Allen, Frank D.	Baker, John I.
Almy, James F.	Baker, Thomas J.
Ames, Edwin.	Beckford, Ebenezer.
Atwood, Newell S.	Brackett, John Q. A.
Avery, Winslow W.	Brown, Charles F.
Bail, George W.	Brown, Edward P.

Messrs. Brown, Leonard.
 Brown, William B.
 Budington, Jonathan.
 Bugbee, James M.
 Bulloch, Andrew.
 Burke, William J.
 Burpee, William H.
 Burt, George L.
 Butler, Edward P.
 Butler, John Haskell.
 Cable, Hobart M.
 Canterbury, Nathan D.
 Carleton, George H.
 Carroll, Lewis.
 Cawley, Edward.
 Clapp, Frank A.
 Clark, William L.
 Clarke, Albert E.
 Coffin, Amos.
 Cogswell, William.
 Collamore, Francis.
 Coney, Hubert M.
 Coolidge, Timothy A.
 Corey, Charles A.
 Crandall, George N.
 Cronin, Cornelius F.
 Crowell, James A.
 Curtis, Hiram.
 Cushman, Solomon F.
 Davenport, James F.
 Davis, Person.
 Dever, John F.
 Dickerman, John E.
 Donovan, Daniel.
 Dorman, Asahel H.
 Eager, Edward R.
 Eddy, Charles A.
 Edwards, James.
 Farrar, Job P.
 Fay, George F.
 Fay, Thomas, jun.
 Fellows, Alonzo B.
 Fernald, B. Marvin.
 Fifield, Benjamin L.
 Fiske, George B.
 Floyd, Thomas.
 Forbes, William T.
 Fowler, Charles B.
 Freeman, Jesse H.
 French, Hartwell S.

Messrs. Fuller, Luther F.
 Galvin, Owen A.
 Gargan, Frank.
 Gaskill, Leonard T.
 Gifford, James E.
 Gifford, Rufus B.
 Gill, Charles L.
 Gilman, Thomas K.
 Goodwin, John.
 Goulding, Robert.
 Hadley, Stephen D.
 Hale, Silas W.
 Hamlin, Joseph P.
 Hartwell, Samuel C.
 Hatch, Silas B.
 Hayden, Edward D.
 Higginson, Thomas W.
 Hill, Hamilton A.
 Hoar, Samuel.
 Holman, William F.
 Hooper, Arthur.
 Howard, Robert.
 Howland, Charles W.
 Hughes, Atkins.
 Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
 Jenks, Henry B.
 Jewett, Albert G.
 Johnson, William.
 Jones, Thomas B.
 Keith, Albert.
 Kelly, Francis B.
 Kendall, Ira Y.
 Lamb, Abraham J.
 Lawrence, Asa S.
 Learnard, George E.
 Livermore, George B.
 Lodge, Henry C.
 Love, John J.
 Lyon, Henry.
 Mackintosh, James.
 Mahoney, Patrick F.
 Mansfield, Andrew.
 Marble, John W.
 Marshall, Asaph R.
 McCullough, Thomas.
 McDonald, Patrick F.
 McGahey, Alex. B.
 McGeough, James A.
 McManus, Edward.
 McSorley, John.

Messrs. Mellen, James H.	Messrs. Snow, William O.
Milliken, Eben C.	Sprague, Henry H.
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Stanton, John.
Morrison, Daniel T.	Steele, Isaac A. S.
Morse, George W.	Stevens, Edward G.
Murphy, Timothy A.	Stickney, Joseph W.
Muzzey, Henry W.	Stover, Augustus W.
Newell, Richard.	Stowe, Edmund M.
Nichols, Joseph J.	Sullivan, John C.
O'Donnell, John.	Swift, Charles F.
O'Neil, Joseph H.	Tapley, Gilbert A.
Packard, Davis S.	Tappan, William H.
Parmenter, Charles O.	Taylor, Levi.
Parratt, George A.	Thomas, Edward I.
Plunkett, Francis.	Thompson, Joseph W.
Poor, Edward P.	Tinkham, Benjamin C.
Porter, Burrill, jun.	Tufts, Arthur W.
Prouty, Isaac L.	Valpey, Samuel B.
Quirk, Dennis G.	Vinal, Quincy A.
Rand, John C.	Wales, Jonathan.
Reade, John.	Walker, Aaron G.
Reed, Charles A.	Walker, Samuel.
Richardson, Nathaniel, jun.	Wardwell, Henry.
Richardson, Solon O.	Warren, Nathan.
Robbins, Oliver W.	Wells, Henry J.
Sanborn, John H.	White, James.
Sawin, Otis D.	White, Lloyd E.
Sawyer, Henry O.	Whitney, Levi L.
Scott, Thomas.	Wilcox, Charles W.
Searles, George F.	Willcutt, Levi L.
Shaw, Edward P.	Wilson, Arthur H.
Shepard, Harvey N.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.
Sheppard, Joel F.	Wood, Owen.
Slocum, Henry A.	Wright, John H.
Smith, Zenas E.	

Yeas, 183; nays, 0.

Sent up for concurrence.

At five minutes past four o'clock adjourned.

TUESDAY, Jan. 18, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Baker of Beverly, remonstrance of William H. Burbeck and others; by Mr. McGeough of Boston, remonstrance of Lawrence D. Welby and others; and, by Mr. Mullane of Boston, remonstrances of Charles H. Fernald and others, and Timothy Coughlan and others,—severally against biennial elections.

Biennial elections.

Severally referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Hamlin of Boston, petition of Nathaniel Seaver and others; and, by Mr. Shepard of Boston, petitions of Clement Hugh Hill and others, Liverus Hull and others,—severally for a law requiring the school committee of Boston to confine its expenditures within the appropriations made by the city council.

Boston school committee.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Cable of Hyde Park, petitions of the Evangelical Ministers' Association, the faculty of Newton Theological Institution, the Massachusetts Baptist Convention, Henry C. Graves and others of Haverhill, the Massachusetts Baptist Conference, and the Boston Conference of Baptist Ministers,—severally for such legislation as will mitigate the evils of divorce.

Divorce.

Severally referred to the joint special committee on Probate and Chancery.

By Mr. Cleveland of Cottage City, petition of Amos Smith and others for legislation giving the riparian proprietors on Great Pond, in the town of Edgartown, certain rights in said pond. Referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Edgartown Great Pond.

By Mr. Cleveland of Cottage City, petition of the Holmes Hole Union Wharf Company for change of its corporate name.

Holmes Hole Union Wharf Company.

By Mr. Phillips of Springfield, petition of the Farmer and Gardner Manufacturing Company for change of its corporate name.

Farmer and Gardner Manufacturing Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Bixby of Adams, petition of Daniel Upton and others of Adams for legislation relative to the water-supply of the South-Adams fire district. Referred to the committee on Public Health.

South-Adams fire district.

Lenox railroad
station.

By Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge, remonstrance of Julius Rockwell and others against the petition that the Housatonic Railroad Company may be authorized to discontinue the station at Lenox. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Boston and
Maine Railroad
bridge.

By Mr. Coffin of Newburyport, petition of J. H. P. McQuillin and others; by Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, petition of Peter Parker and others; by Mr. Poor of Lawrence, petition of David T. Porter and others; and, by Mr. Taylor of Haverhill, petition of Edwin Bowley and others,—severally for legislation to compel the Boston and Maine Railroad to maintain a draw in their bridge across the Merrimack River at Haverhill.

Severally referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Intoxicating
liquors.

By Mr. Wilcox of Milford, petition of Mrs. M. J. C. Russell and others for an amendment to the Constitution forever prohibiting the manufacture and sale, as beverages, of all intoxicating liquors. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Woman suf-
frage.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, petition of William Lloyd Garrison and others; by Mr. Corey of Bedford, petition of C. C. Hussey and others; by Mr. Cable of Hyde Park, petition of Benjamin F. Pike and others; and, by Mr. Wilcox of Milford, petition of Mrs. M. J. C. Russell and others,—severally for woman suffrage.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

Elevators.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Boston,—

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of providing by suitable legislation for the inspection and safety of elevators used in the transportation of passengers or freight in large buildings.

State aid.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge,—

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of so amending chapters 252 and 301 of the Acts of the year 1879, as to allow the payment of State aid to soldiers who served to the credit of the State at large, but were not credited to any city or town.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of ceding to the city government of Cambridge a part or the whole of the "arsenal lot" in that city, to be used for hospital purposes only. Arsenal lot in Cambridge.

On motion of Mr. Donovan of Lawrence, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs Milk. consider the expediency of amending chapter 209, section 1, of the Acts of the year 1880, so that the names of milk venders shall be exhibited on their vehicles in letters at least two inches in length.

On motion of Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of memorializing the Congress of the United States in aid of the petition now before it for the removal of obstructions to navigation in the Connecticut River between Hartford and Holyoke. Navigation of Connecticut River.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of transferring the jurisdiction of trials of capital crimes from the supreme judicial to the superior court. Capital crimes.

On motion of Mr. Wales of Randolph, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of certain district attorneys. District attorneys.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of protecting by further legislation the rights of owners of real estate sold upon sheriff's sale, giving to them a longer time in which to redeem, where the return of the officer upon the execution shows want of notice to the defendant. Sheriff's sale of real estate.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Coney of Springfield, a Bill concerning married women doing business on their own account. Married women.

By the same gentleman, a Bill relating to the trial of criminal causes. Trial of criminal causes.

Severally read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

*Reports Received.*Fish commis-
sioners.

A message was received from the Governor, transmitting the fifteenth annual report of the commissioners on inland fisheries for the year ending Sept. 30, 1880. Referred to the committee on the Fisheries, and sent up for concurrence.

Treasurer's
report.

The annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General for the year ending Dec. 31, 1880, was received, laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

*Papers from the Senate.*Committee on
Railroads.

Notice was received that the Senate non-concurred with the House in the adoption of the order authorizing the committee on Railroads to visit the several railroads in the Commonwealth.

Grand Army of
the Republic.

The following papers were referred in concurrence:—
Petition of John A. Hawes, in behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic, for legislation to authorize the adjutant-general to loan military camp equipage to said organization; and

Memorial Day.

Petition of John A. Hawes, in behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic, that Memorial Day be made a legal holiday.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Uxbridge Water
Company.

Petition of Moses Taft and others of Uxbridge for an act of incorporation as the Uxbridge Water Company; and

Clinton water-
supply.

Petition of the selectmen of the town of Clinton, that said town be authorized to supply itself with pure water.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Boston and
Lowell Rail-
road.

Petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation for an act to authorize the union of said corporation with the Nashua and Lowell Railroad Corporation. To the committee on Railroads.

American Mort-
gage Company.

Petition of Hollis M. Hale and others for an act of incorporation as the American Mortgage and Guaranty Company. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Charles River
Embankment
Company.

Petition of Isaac Platt, jun., and others, for an act of incorporation as the Charles River Embankment Company. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Divorce.

Petition of the Eastern Convocation of the Protestant-Episcopal Church for such legislation as will mitigate the

evils of divorce. To the joint special committee on Probate and Chancery.

Message of the Governor, transmitting a list of pardons granted during the year 1880. To the committee on Prisons. Pardons.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the abstracts of returns of sheriffs. Returns of sheriffs.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the abstracts of returns of registers of deeds. Returns of registers.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Lynn for an amendment of the charter of said city. Lynn.

By Mr. Coney of Springfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to State aid. State aid.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (on leave) to protect the rights of citizens of this State holding claims against other States ought not to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill. Claims against other States.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill (on leave) relating to the municipal courts of the city of Boston ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading. Boston municipal courts.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill concerning marriages in the Society of Friends. Friends.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to define the term of office of county commissioners and of special county commissioners. County commissioners.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Special Assignment.

At half-past two o'clock the Speaker announced the special assignment, being the election, on the part of the House of Representatives, of a senator in the Congress of the United States for the term of six years from the 4th of March next. United States senator elected.

The roll was called, and the following-named members voted for Henry L. Dawes of Pittsfield:—

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.	Messrs. Eager, Edward R.
Allen, Frank D.	Eddy, Charles A.
Ames, Edwin.	Edwards, James.
Andrew, John F.	Farrar, Job P.
Avery, Winslow W.	Fay, George F.
Bail, George W.	Fellows, Alonzo B.
Bailey, Thomas F.	Fernald, B. Marvin.
Baker, Thomas J.	Fifield, Benjamin L.
Barton, Leonard.	Fiske, George B.
Beckford, Ebenezer.	Floyd, Thomas.
Bidwell, Marshall S.	Forbes, William T.
Bixby, Nelson H.	Foster, Enoch.
Bosworth, Edwin R.	Fowler, Charles B.
Brackett, John Q. A.	Freeman, Jesse H.
Bradford, Martin L.	French, Hartwell S.
Brown, Charles F.	Fuller, Luther F.
Brown, Edward P.	Gage, Edwin.
Brown, Leonard.	Gaskill, Leonard T.
Brown, William B.	Gifford, James E.
Bryant, George T.	Gilman, Thomas K.
Buck, John W. T.	Hadley, Stephen D.
Budington, Jonathan.	Hale, Silas W.
Bugbee, James M.	Hamlin, Joseph P.
Bulloch, Andrew.	Hartwell, Samuel C.
Bumstead, Josiah.	Hayden, Edward D.
Burpee, William H.	Hemphill, Ashton E.
Burr, Edwin S.	Hill, Hamilton A.
Burt, George L.	Hoar, Samuel.
Butler, Edward P.	Holman, William F.
Butler, John Haskell.	Hooper, Arthur.
Canterbury, Nathan D.	Hughes, Atkins.
Carleton, George H.	Jefferson, Martin V. B.
Clapp, Frank A.	Jenks, Henry R.
Clark, William L.	Jewett, Albert G.
Coffin, Amos.	Johnson, William.
Collamore, Francis.	Keith, Albert.
Coney, Hubert M.	Kelley, Watson B.
Coolidge, Timothy A.	Kendall, Ira Y.
Corey, Charles A.	Lawrence, Asa S.
Crandall, George N.	Learnard, George E.
Crowell, James A.	Lincoln, Clark.
Curtis, Hiram.	Livermore, George B.
Cushman, Solomon F.	Lodge, Henry C.
Davis, Person.	Look, Dwight B.
Dickerman, John E.	Lyon, Henry.
Dorman, Asahel H.	Mansfield, Andrew.

Messrs. Marshall, Asaph R.	Messrs. Smith, Remember.
McFarlin, Peleg.	Smith, Zenas E.
Metcalf, Edwin D.	Snow, William O.
Miller, J. Hervey.	Sprague, Henry H.
Milliken, Eben C.	Stevens, Edward G.
Morrison, Daniel T.	Stevens, Ezra A.
Morse, George W.	Stevens, J. Tyler.
Muzzey, Henry W.	Stickney, Joseph W.
Newell, Richard.	Stover, Augustus W.
Noyes, Charles J.	Stowe, Edmund M.
Noyes, Increase E.	Strong, Sidney.
Packard, Davis S.	Sullivan, John C.
Paddack, Henry.	Swift, Charles F.
Parmenter, Charles O.	Tapley, Gilbert A.
Parratt, George A.	Tappan, William H.
Peck, Chauncey E.	Taylor, Levi.
Phillips, Henry M.	Thayer, S. Proctor.
Poor, Edward P.	Thomas, Edward I.
Porter, Burrill, jun.	Thompson, Joseph W.
Porter, Vaniah M.	Tinkham, Benjamin C.
Prouty, Isaac L.	Tufts, Arthur W.
Reed, Charles A.	Tufts, Joseph A.
Rice, Frederick S.	Valpey, Samuel B.
Richardson, Nathaniel, jun.	Vinal, Quincy A.
Richardson, Solon O.	Wales, Jonathan.
Root, Thomas P.	Walker, Aaron G.
Sanborn, John H.	Wardwell, Henry.
Sawin, Otis D.	Warren, Nathan.
Sawyer, Henry O.	Webster, John G.
Scott, Thomas.	Wells, Henry J.
Searles, George F.	Whitney, Levi L.
Shaw, Edward P.	Wilcox, Charles W.
Shepard, George A.	Willcutt, Levi L.
Shepard, Harvey N.	Wilson, Arthur H.
Sheppard, Joel F.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.
Slocum, Henry A.	

The following-named members voted for Benjamin F. Butler of Lowell:—

Messrs. Baker, John I.	Messrs. Gargan, Frank.
Burke, William J.	Gill, Charles L.
Carpenter, Edward C.	Howard, Robert.
Carroll, Lewis.	Joyce, John.
Cawley, Edward.	Kelly, Francis B.
Cleveland, Tristram.	Lamb, Abraham J.
Cronin, Cornelius F.	Love, John J.
Dever, John F.	Mahoney, Patrick F.
Fay, Thomas, jun.	McCullough, Thomas.
Galvin, Owen A.	McDonald, Patrick F.

Messrs. McGahey, Alex. B.	Messrs. Quirk, Dennis G.
McGeough, James A.	Reade, John.
Manus, Edward.	Robbins, Oliver W.
McSorley, John.	Russell, William W.
Mellen, James H.	Stanton, John.
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Steele, Isaac A. S.
Mullane, Jeremiah H.	Vining, David T.
Nichols, Joseph J.	White, James.
O'Donnell, John.	Wood, Owen.
O'Neil, Joseph H.	Wright, John H.
Plunkett, Francis.	

The following-named members voted for John D. Long of Hingham : —

Messrs. Allen, Charles H.	Messrs. Goulding, Robert.
Almy, James F.	Hatch, Silas B.
Bowerman, Samuel W.	Higginson, Thomas W.
Burr, Frank W.	Howland, Charles W.
Chamberlain, George D.	Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
Cogswell, William.	Jones, Thomas B.
Davenport, James F.	Mackintosh, James.
Donovan, Daniel.	Marble, John W.
Dunham, Henry J.	Rand, John C.
Evans, James M.	Webster, Edwin R.
Gifford, Rufus B.	White, Lloyd E.
Goodwin, John.	

Mr. Christopher C. Merritt voted for Horace Gray of Boston.

Mr. Newell S. Atwood voted for Henry L. Pierce of Boston.

Mr. Samuel Walker voted for Charles Theodore Russell of Cambridge.

The Speaker thereupon announced the result of the vote, as follows : —

Whole number of votes	230
Necessary to a choice	116
Henry L. Dawes of Pittsfield	163
Benjamin F. Butler of Lowell	41
John D. Long of Hingham	23
Horace Gray of Boston	1
Charles Theodore Russell of Cambridge	1
Henry L. Pierce of Boston	1

And Henry L. Dawes of Pittsfield, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared to be elected, on the part of the House of Representatives, a senator in the Congress of the United States for the term of six years from the 4th of March next.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the joint special committee appointed to prepare Rules and Orders for the government of the two branches, was, on motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, laid on the table. Orders of the day.

The Bill to repeal chapter 98 of the Acts of the year 1880, relating to the limitation of actions, was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Hour of Meeting.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, —
Voted, That, when the House adjourns, it be to meet at ten minutes before twelve o'clock to-morrow. Hour of meeting.

At three minutes before three o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 19, 1881.

Met, according to adjournment, at ten minutes before twelve o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, remonstrance of Charles Newell and others; by Mr. Avery of Plymouth, remonstrance of E. M. Harrington and others; by Mr. Hadley of Marion, remonstrance of E. H. Turner and others; and, by Mr. Collamore of Pembroke, remonstrance of Samuel Salvin and others, — severally against biennial elections. Biennial elections.

Severally referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Merritt of Springfield, petition of the Hampden East and Hampden West Association of Congregational Ministers for such legislation as will mitigate the evils of divorce. Divorce.

Referred to the joint special committee on Probate and Chancery.

By Mr. John G. Webster of Boston, petition of the Boston Beef-Packing Company for the refunding of a certain tax paid into the State treasury. Referred to the committee on Claims. Boston Beef-Packing Company.

Weymouth
Great Pond.

By Mr. Canterbury of Weymouth, petition of the selectmen of the town of Weymouth for the right to take water from Great Pond in said town. Referred to the committee on Public Health.

Boston school
committee.

By Mr. Willcutt of Boston, petition of John C. Pratt and others for a law requiring the school committee of Boston to confine its expenditures within the appropriations made by the city council. Referred to the committee on Education.

Woman suf-
frage.

By Mr. Walker of Worcester, petition of Sarah F. Earle and others for woman suffrage. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

Village im-
provements.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Dedham,—

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of providing by law that villages in towns may become incorporated for the purpose of raising money by taxation of the property within the village limits, and appropriating and expending the same for village improvement within such limits; and also of providing by law for the restriction of the right of towns to raise money by taxation to those purposes and objects which are a common benefit to the whole town, and to take from towns consisting of several villages the right to expend money raised by taxation of all their citizens in providing gas-lights, concrete sidewalks, parks, etc., in one village only.

Pay of officers
of life-insurance
companies.

On motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston,—

Ordered, That the insurance commissioner procure for the information of this Legislature a full and detailed statement of the salaries and emoluments paid by the several life-insurance companies of the State to their officers at the present time, and as compared with such salaries and emoluments paid in the year 1873.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Amendments to
reasons of
appeal.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Boston,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation providing for the allowance of amendments to reasons of appeal in cases in which such reasons are required to be filed in the probate court.

Vote by mayors
on liquor
licences.

On motion of Mr. Merritt of Springfield,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider if any further legislation is needed to permit or compel

mayors of cities to exercise the right to vote in granting licenses to sell spirituous liquors.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Brown of Boston, a Bill relating to the municipal court of the city of Boston for the transaction of criminal business.

Boston municipal court.

By Mr. Poor of Lawrence, a Bill relative to the appointment of city marshals and police officers in certain cities.

City marshals and police.

By Mr. Merritt of Springfield, a Bill for the compensation of persons wrongfully arrested.

Wrongful arrests.

Severally read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Reports Received.

The annual report of the attorney-general; and

Attorney-general.
Gas and gas-meters.

The annual report of the State inspector of gas and gas-meters;

Were severally received, laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint special committee on Election Laws be directed to inquire what additional legislation, if any, is necessary to provide further safeguards for casting, keeping, and counting ballots, and what change is necessary in the election laws.

Election laws and ballots.

A Bill to establish the compensation of the special justices of the police and district courts in the Commonwealth, introduced on leave in the Senate, was read, and referred in concurrence to the committee on Expenditures.

Special justices.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, and recommending that it be referred to the committee on Education, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence.

Perkins Institution.

A Bill to incorporate the Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural and Horticultural Society, introduced on leave in the Senate, and referred to the committee on Agriculture, was ruled out under the 22d joint Rule, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural Society.

- The following papers were referred in concurrence :—
- Sandwich Savings Bank.** Report of the receivers of the Sandwich Savings Bank; and
- Mercantile Savings Bank.** Annual report of the receivers of the Mercantile Savings Institution of Boston.
- Insurance commissioner.** Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.
- State Prison.** Special report of the insurance commissioner, relative to legislation on the subject of insurance. To the committee on Insurance.
- Wood-baskets.** Annual report of the commissioners of prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison. To the committee on Prisons.
- Petition of John P. Jones and others for a law establishing a uniform size for baskets in which wood is offered for sale. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Joint Convention.

- Joint convention.** In pursuance of assignment, the two branches met, in accordance with a law of the United States, in convention for the purpose of comparing the records of the two Houses in the matter of the election of a senator in the Congress of the United States for the term of six years from the fourth day of March next;
- And, the journals of the two Houses having been read, it appeared that Hon. Henry L. Dawes of Pittsfield was elected.

The two branches separated.

Reports of Committees.

- Single ballot-boxes at elections.** By Mr. Albee of Cambridge, from the committee on Elections, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition of Dean Dudley and others of Wakefield for a law forbidding town and city officers from ordering more than one ballot-box for each voting-place, or more than one ticket for each election, and for other purposes, and recommending that it be referred to the joint special committee on Election Laws. Read and accepted, and the petition was sent to the Senate for concurrence in the reference.
- Appropriation bill.** By Mr. Hayden of Woburn, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses.
- Ibid.** By Mr. Davenport of Fall River, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill

in addition to "An Act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year."

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

Reports of the committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary: Orders of the day.

On the abstracts of returns of sheriffs; and

On the abstracts of returns of registers of deeds;

Were severally accepted.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to State aid, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Lynn for an amendment of the charter of said city, was, on motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, laid on the table.

The Bill (on leave) to protect the rights of citizens of this State holding claims against other States was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills:

Concerning marriages in the Society of Friends; and

To define the term of office of county commissioners and of special county commissioners;

Were severally read, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the municipal courts of the city of Boston was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

At twenty minutes past twelve o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY, Jan. 20, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Jones of Chelsea, petition of Richard Nichols Richard Nichols. for compensation for services rendered the Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Claims.

Biennial elections.

By Mr. Sullivan of Middleborough, remonstrance of James B. Brintnall and others; by Mr. Burr of Worthington, remonstrance of T. T. Tweed and others; by Mr. Bradford of Boston, remonstrance of M. L. Willis and others; by Mr. McFarlin of Carver, remonstrance of M. D. Day and others; and, by Mr. Baker of Dedham, remonstrance of William J. Wallace and others,—severally against biennial elections.

Severally referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Divorce.

By Mr. Coffin of Newburyport, petition of the Essex North Association, and, by Mr. Morse of Newton, petition of the Suffolk West Ministerial Congregational Association,—severally for such legislation as will mitigate the evils of divorce.

Severally referred to the joint special committee on Probate and Chancery.

F. E. Burton.

By Mr. Vinal of Somerville, petition of Francis E. Burton for State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Frammingham and Lowell Railroad.

By Mr. Tufts of Fitchburg, petition of H. A. Blood for an act to authorize the purchasers of the franchises and property of the Frammingham and Lowell Railroad Company to organize a new corporation. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Swampscott — John P. Palmer.

By Mr. Brown of Marblehead, remonstrance of Thomas E. Stone and others against the petition of the town of Swampscott for authority to pay a certain claim of John P. Palmer. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Woman suffrage.

By Mr. Thomas of Brookline, petition of Charles K. Whipple and 7 others, and, by Mr. Hale of Milford, petition of Dr. Dwight Russell and others,—severally for woman suffrage.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage. Severally sent up for concurrence.

Troy and Greenfield Railroad Company.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, petition of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad Company, that jurisdiction may be conferred by law on the Supreme Judicial Court, under proper proceedings in equity, to hear and determine the right of said company to make the redemption reserved in certain mortgages given by said company to the Commonwealth, and also, by the act of 1862, entitled "An Act providing for the more speedy completion of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel."

By the same gentleman, petition of Augustus Winsor and others for incorporation as the Massachusetts Fish Exchange. Massachusetts Fish Exchange.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Brackett of Boston, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of dividing the city of Boston into aldermanic districts, and providing that one member of the board of aldermen of said city shall be elected from each of said districts. Boston — aldermanic districts.

On motion of Mr. Carroll of Marblehead, —

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of legislation providing that at all town-meetings called for the purpose of raising, granting, or appropriating any public money, or contracting or incurring any public debt, or disposing of any public property, there shall be present five per cent of the legal voters to constitute a quorum. Quorum at town-meeting.

On motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health inquire into the expediency of further legislation in reference to the discharge into the Concord River, or its tributaries, of the sewage of the State Prison. State-Prison sewage.

On motion of Mr. Allen of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider what legislation is necessary for the better security of life and property against loss and damage from the explosion of steam-boilers. Steam-boilers.

On motion of Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of repealing chapter 196 of the Acts of the year 1880, concerning charitable and other beneficiary associations. Charitable and beneficiary associations.

On motion of Mr. Mackintosh of Needham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of having a uniform rate of taxation on mortgages throughout the State, and requiring the register of deeds in each county to report to the tax commissioner of the State all mortgages on record the first day of May in each year. Rate of tax on mortgages.

Committee
rooms.

On motion of Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, —

Ordered, That the committee on the State House be requested to report some plan for providing additional accommodations for committees of the Legislature.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Jurisdiction of
trial-justices in
criminal causes.

On motion of Mr. Morse of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of enabling a trial-justice to attend at the time and place to which a criminal cause may be adjourned or appointed to be heard before another in the absence of the latter, and take jurisdiction thereof as the latter might have done.

Entry and con-
tinuance of civil
causes before
trial-justices.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law that civil causes pending before trial-justices, not tried and determined within a week of entry, shall be continued without costs, to be brought up upon notice and motion. Also that civil causes may be entered before trial-justices late, with notice to the defendants, as in other courts.

Real estate
taken for public
use subject to
mortgage.

On motion of Mr. Coney of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the Statutes, that, when real estate subject to mortgage shall be taken for public uses, the sum awarded as damages for the taking of such realty shall be paid to the mortgagee so far as the same may be necessary to satisfy the mortgage, and the remainder, if any, to the mortgagor.

Entry fees.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of abolishing entry fees in police, municipal, and district courts.

Adjournment
over Saturday.

The following order, offered by Mr. Milliken of New Bedford, was, at the request of Mr. Thayer of North Adams, laid over until to-morrow: —

Ordered, That, when the House adjourns on Friday of each week, it be to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock.

Introduced on Leave.

Jury lists.

By Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, a Bill concerning the publication of lists of jurors.

Boston protec-
tive department.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, a Bill in relation to pensioning disabled members of the Boston protective department.

Severally read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, a Resolve relating to certain repairs at the State Prison at Concord. Read, and referred to the committee on Finance. State-Prison repairs.

By Mr. Wells of Cambridge, a Bill to amend chapter 127 of the Acts of the year 1878, fixing the time and place of holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk. Read, and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery. Suffolk probate courts.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, the report of the joint special committee appointed to prepare rules and orders for the government of the two branches was taken from the table, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Joint Rules and Orders.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education inquire what further legislation may be necessary to secure the providing of suitable places for the confinement, discipline, and instruction of truants from the schools. Truants.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Clerks of the two branches notify his Excellency the Governor that Henry L. Dawes of Pittsfield has been duly elected by the Legislature a senator in Congress of the United States for the term of six years from the fourth day of March next. Notifying Governor of election of senator.

The following petitions were referred in concurrence:—

Petition of Hosea Hathaway for compensation for damages to his ice business occasioned by the flow of sewage from the State Normal School building into Town River at Bridgewater. To the committee on Claims. Hosea Hathaway.

Petition of the Traders' and Mechanics' Insurance Company for the right to redeem its guaranty capital. To the committee on Insurance. Traders' and Mechanics' Insurance Company.

Petition of Charles E. Wiggin and others for an amendment of chapter 128 of the Acts of 1879, concerning the payment of laborers' wages by cities. To the committee on Labor. Laborers' wages.

Petition of Isadora F. Lincoln for State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs. Isadora F. Lincoln.

Children's Hos-
pital of Boston.

Petition of the Children's Hospital of Boston for leave to hold real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Boston and
Maine Railroad.

The following petitions, referred in the House to the committee on Roads and Bridges, and sent up for concurrence, came down referred in non-concurrence to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, in which reference the House concurred:—

Petitions of Edwin Bowley and others, David T. Porter and others, Peter Parker and others, J. H. P. McQuillin and others,—severally for legislation to compel the Boston and Maine Railroad to maintain a draw in their bridge across the Merrimack River at Haverhill.

Reports of Committees.

State aid.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 301 of the Acts of the year 1879, concerning the payment of State aid to disabled soldiers, relative to the oath therein required. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Lexington Sav-
ings Bank.

By Mr. Sanborn of Newton, from the committee on Banks and Banking, no legislation necessary, on the report of the receivers of the Lexington Savings Bank.

Scituate Savings
Bank.

By Mr. Jacobs of Hingham, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the receivers of the Scituate Savings Bank.

Rockport Sav-
ings Bank.

By Mr. Carleton of Georgetown, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the receivers of the Rockport Savings Bank.

Barnstable Sav-
ings Bank.

By Mr. Barton of Gill, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the receivers of the Barnstable Savings Bank.

Severally read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Globe Rubber
Company.

By Mr. Marshall of Worcester, from the committee on Manufactures, on a petition, a bill to change the name of the Globe Rubber Company. Read, and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

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day.

The Bill relating to the municipal courts of the city of Boston was further considered, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

In addition to "An Act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year;" and

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

Concerning marriages in the Society of Friends; and

To define the term of office of county commissioners and of special county commissioners;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At half-past two o'clock adjourned.

FRIDAY, Jan. 21, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Barton of Gill, petition of the Franklin County Agricultural Society for laws for the restraint of dogs and the encouragement of sheep-raising. Referred to the committee on Agriculture. Dogs and sheep.

By Mr. Wilson of Boston, remonstrance of A. A. Libbey and others, and, by Mr. Freeman of Wellfleet, remonstrance of J. F. Crapo and others, — severally against biennial elections. Biennial elections.

Severally referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. White of Boston, petition of William R. Gill and others for a law requiring the school committee of Boston to confine its expenditures within the limit of the appropriations made by the city council. Referred to the committee on Education. Boston school committee.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, petition of David W. Farquhar and others for the incorporation of the Mechanics' Exchange of the city of Boston. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Mechanics' Exchange.

By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, petition of Mary Wigglesworth for State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs. Mary Wigglesworth.

Newton Corner
Baptist Church.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, petition of H. N. Hyde and another for change of name of the Newton Corner Baptist Church and Society, and to confirm the doings thereof. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Cohasset and
Hull.

By Mr. Wales of Randolph, remonstrance of A. J. Mann and others against the transferring of any part of Cohasset to the town of Hull. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Actions of tort.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, petition of Dwight Foster and others for the repeal of chapter 28 of the Acts of the year 1880, concerning jurisdiction over actions of tort.

Home for Aged
Men.

By Mr. Bradford of Boston, petition of the Home for Aged Men for leave to hold a larger amount of real and personal property.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

Bounties to
agricultural
societies.

On motion of Mr. Robbins of Pittsfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of withholding State bounty from all of the agricultural societies in the Commonwealth.

Treasurer's
office.

On motion of Mr. Hill of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures inquire whether the interests of the public service require that any change be made in the office hours of the department of the Treasurer and the Receiver-General.

Boston and
Albany Rail-
road.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation which shall declare that anybody owning stock in the Boston and Albany Railroad Company shall be ineligible to election as a State director of the said company.

Railroad trains
in Boston and
vicinity.

On motion of Mr. McSorley of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of providing by law more stringent and effective regulations to govern certain railroad corporations in making up and running trains over the public streets of Boston and vicinity; and, that they may get the sentiment of the public on this subject, said committee shall give at least two public hearings thereon before making their report.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Wales of Randolph.—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 218 of the Acts of the year 1880, relating to the release of prisoners for good conduct, that the provisions thereof may apply to the State workhouse.

Release of prisoners for good conduct.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of enacting a law to reduce the fees of officers for serving trustee writs.

Trustee writs.

The order offered yesterday and laid over, relative to adjournment over from Friday of each week till the following Monday, was adopted.

Adjournment.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Wales of Randolph, a Bill in relation to change of names. Read, and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Change of names.

Resolution Presented.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, a Resolution instructing Massachusetts senators, and requesting Massachusetts representatives, in Congress, to favor legislation giving Congress the exclusive control of telegraphing in this country. Read, referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and sent up for concurrence.

Memorial to Congress on telegraphing.

Taken from the Files.

On motion of Mr. Butler of Somerville, the orders relative to increasing the salaries of the judges of the superior court, referred by the last General Court to the present one, were taken from the files, referred to the committee on Expenditures, and sent up for concurrence.

Salaries of superior-court judges.

Reports Received.

Annual report of the harbor and land commissioners. Referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Harbor and land commissioners.

Twelfth annual report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Railroad commissioners.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Agricultural
College.

A Bill to determine the manner of electing trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, taken from the Senate files of last year, was referred in concurrence to the committee on Agriculture.

Arthur M.
Alger — clerk
first district
court of Bristol.

The following papers were referred in concurrence: —
Petition of Arthur M. Alger for increase of salary as clerk of the first district court of Bristol. To the committee on Expenditures.

Martha B.
Chickering.

Petition of Martha B. Chickering of Worcester for compensation for the support of Nellie McMillan, a child from the State Primary School at Monson. To the committee on Claims.

Lynn and Bos-
ton Railroad
Company.

Petition of the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company for authority to extend its road to Woodlawn Cemetery at Everett. To the committee on Street Railways.

Hyannis Sav-
ings Bank.

Annual report of the receivers of the Hyannis Savings Bank. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Taken from the Table.

House Docu-
ment No. 2.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, House Document No. 2, being copies of petitions and notices of petitions filed in the Secretary's department, and presented to the Legislature under chapter 160 of the Acts of the year 1880, was taken from the table. And, on further motions of the same gentleman, the several copies of petitions and notices of intention to petition were referred to committees, as follows: —

Waverly Com-
pany.

Copy of proposed petition of the Waverly Company for an amendment of charter, extending its powers in respect to the purchase and sale of real estate. To the committee on Agriculture.

Brockton Sav-
ings Bank.

Copy of proposed petition of J. J. Whipple and others for the incorporation of the Brockton Savings Bank. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Ipswich-river
bridge.

Copy of proposed petition of the selectmen of Ipswich, that said town may construct, without a draw, a bridge across Ipswich River, authorized by chapter 107 of the Act of 1876 to be constructed with a draw; and

Boston and
Maine Railroad.

Copy of proposed petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad for authority to remove its drawbridge over Miller's River, and to construct instead a bridge without a draw.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Copy of proposed petition of the Alden Emery Company for change of corporate name; and Alden Emery Company.

Notice of intention of James Alexander of Boston to petition for an act of incorporation making him, and others to be associated with him, a corporation under the name of the "East Haven Company." East Haven Company.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile affairs.

Copies of proposed petitions:

Of the town of Framingham for authority to take water from Farm Pond or Sudbury River; Framingham water-supply.

Of the mayor of Cambridge, that said city may take the water of Shawsheen River as an additional water-supply; Cambridge—Shawsheen River.

Of Henry K. Oliver, mayor of Salem, that said city may purchase or take certain land for the abatement of certain nuisances, and may change the channel of North River; also for the repeal of chapter 154 of the Acts of 1869; Salem nuisances.

Of R. T. Bartlett and others for authority to form a water company in the town of Ayer; and Ayer Water Company.

Of Joseph O. Proctor and others for incorporation as the Gloucester Water-Supply Company. Gloucester Water-Supply Company.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Copy of intention of Joseph V. Meigs and his associates to apply for an act of incorporation of a company for constructing, managing, and operating an elevated railroad in the city of Boston; and Meigs—elevated railroad.

Copies of proposed petitions:

Of W. R. Clark and others for incorporation as the Charlestown and Milton Railroad Company; Charlestown and Milton Railroad.

Of W. R. Clark and others for incorporation as the Cambridge and South Boston Railroad Company; Cambridge and South Boston Railroad.

Of W. R. Clark and others for incorporation as the Boston and Brookline Railroad Company; Boston and Brookline Railroad.

Of W. R. Clark and others for incorporation as the Boston and Dorchester Railroad Company; and Boston and Dorchester Railroad.

Of Charles E. Powers and others for incorporation as an elevated railroad company with a capital of five million dollars. Powers—elevated railroad.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Copy of proposed petition of Charles Parker and others for the annexation of that part of the town of Quincy known as Atlantic, Squantum, and Moon Island, to the city of Boston; and Atlantic, Squantum, and Moon Island.

Belmont and
Cambridge.

Copy of proposed petition of Artemas White and others for the re-annexation to Belmont of that part of Cambridge annexed to said city from Belmont by chapter 204 of the Acts of the year 1880.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Newton parks.

Copies of proposed petitions :

Of the city of Newton for authority to accept donations for establishing and maintaining public parks ;

Malden city
charter.

Of George W. Walker and others, selectmen of Malden, for a city charter for said town ; and

Salem Police
Relief Associa-
tion.

Of John W. Hart and others for an act of incorporation of the members of the police force of Salem as a relief association.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Worcester Safe
Deposit and
Trust Company.

Copy of the proposed petition of the Worcester Safe Deposit and Trust Company for amendment of charter, so that it may hold property in trust. To the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Reports of Committees.

Votes of mayors
on liquor
licenses.

By Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to permitting or compelling mayors of cities to vote on granting liquor licenses. Read, and accepted under suspension of the rule.

Writs.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the issuing of writs by persons not members of the legal profession.

Proving fire-
arms.

By Mr. McFarlin of Carver, from the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing so much of the General Statutes as relates to the proving of firearms.

Sandwich and
Wareham.

By Mr. Morse of Newton, from the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of Wareham for confirmation of the boundary-lines between the towns of Sandwich and Wareham.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Reading Sav-
ings Bank.

By Mr. Atwood of Stoughton, from the committee on Banks and Banking, no legislation necessary, on the report of the receivers of the Reading Savings Bank.

By Mr. Whitney of Millbury, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the receivers of the North Bridgewater Savings Bank. North Bridgewater Savings Bank.

Severally read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Bradford of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition of the mayor of Boston for legislation to more clearly define the respective liabilities of steam and street railroad corporations for the construction and maintenance of bridges over streets, and recommending its reference to the committee on Railroads. Liabilities of railroads as to bridges over streets.
Read, accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the order relative to legislation providing for the allowance of amendments to reasons of appeal in cases in which such reasons are required to be filed in the probate court, and recommending its reference to the committee on Probate and Chancery. Amendments to reasons of appeal.
Read and accepted.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (on leave) concerning married women doing business on their separate account ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading. Married women

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 301 of the Acts of the year 1879, concerning the payment of State aid to disabled soldiers, was accepted. Orders of the day.

The Bill to change the name of the Globe Rubber Company was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

Relating to the municipal courts of the city of Boston;

In addition to "An Act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year;"
and

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the joint special committee appointed to

prepare rules and orders for the government of the two branches was further considered. An amendment moved by Mr. Hoar of Concord, striking out Rule No. 11, was adopted, and the report was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Resolutions of Respect.

The late Mr.
Hyde of Lee.

After the orders of the day were disposed of, Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge, from the committee appointed to attend the funeral of Alexander Hyde of Lee, representative from the Fifth Berkshire District, and to prepare and submit resolutions of respect in honor of deceased, reported that the committee had attended to that duty, and presented the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted by a rising vote after remarks by Messrs. Dunham of Stockbridge, Bidwell of Monterey, Higginson of Cambridge, and Root of Barre: —

Resolutions on the Death of Alexander Hyde of Lee.

Resolved, That the House of Representatives expresses its deep sorrow occasioned by the death of Alexander Hyde, who represented the Fifth Berkshire Representative District.

By his death this House has lost a respected and valuable member, the cause of education one of its most ardent workers, agriculture an effectual and untiring advocate, the community a beloved citizen, Christianity a faithful servant, and his family a devoted and loving husband and father.

Resolved, That we recall with affectionate recollections the cheerful manners and social disposition which endeared him to his associates in whatever circle he moved, and which will cause his loss to be mourned by all who knew him, solaced only by the memory of his many virtues, — a rich legacy to posterity.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our late associate as a slight token of our deep sympathy with them in their great affliction.

At twenty minutes past three o'clock adjourned.

MONDAY, Jan. 24, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Fay of Boston, petition of the Catholic Union of Boston, and, by Mr. Parmenter of Amherst, petition of the members of the faculty of Amherst College, — severally for such legislation as will mitigate the evils of divorce. Divorce.

Severally referred to the joint special committee on Probate and Chancery.

By Mr. Fifield of Salisbury, petition of W. H. B. Currier and others, that the Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural Society may be incorporated. Referred to the committee on Agriculture. Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural Society.

By Mr. Burt of Boston, remonstrance of Winship Adams and others; by Mr. Goodwin of Chicopee, remonstrance of Thomas L. Blair and others; and, by Mr. Mel- len of Worcester, remonstrance of James E. Tobey and others, — severally against biennial elections. Biennial elec- tions.

Severally referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Quirk of Boston, petition of Frank W. Berry and others; by Mr. Reade of Boston, petition of J. J. McCarthy and others; and, by Mr. Wilson of Boston, petition of Thomas Gogin and 38 others, — severally for a law requiring the school committee of Boston to confine its expenditures within the limit of the appropriations made by the city council. Boston school committee.

By Mr. Reade of Boston, petition of 352 teachers of the Boston public schools for a law allowing school commit- tees to elect teachers for a term of years, or during good behavior. Election of teachers.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. McFarlin of Carver, petition of Frank Sears and others for legislation prohibiting the taking of gravel from Duxbury beach between Cut River and the Gurnet light. Referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands. Duxbury beach.

By Mr. Porter of Attleborough, petition of Mrs. Sarah F. Kendall and Mrs. M. Copeland and others for an Manufacture and sale of liquors.

amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the manufacture and sale, as beverages, of intoxicating liquors.

Liquor law,

By Mr. Brown of Lowell, petition of Emily A. McLaughlin in aid of the petition of Harriet E. Clark and others, relative to the liquor law.

Severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Eye and Ear
Infirmity.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, petition of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary for an appropriation of ten thousand dollars. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Bridge between
Bradford and
Haverhill.

By Mr. Carleton of Georgetown, petition of W. E. Jordan and others of Haverhill, and petition of John B. Tewksbury and others of Bradford,—severally that the county commissioners of Essex County be empowered to build a bridge across Merrimack River between Bradford and Haverhill.

Braintree—
bridge over
Monatiquot
River.

By Mr. Sheppard of Braintree, petition of the town of Braintree, that said town may be relieved from the expense of rebuilding, repairing, or maintaining the bridge across the Monatiquot River in said town.

Severally referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Chilmark and
Tisbury.

By Mr. Cleveland of Cottage City, petition of the selectmen of Chilmark, that the boundary-line between said town and the town of Tisbury may be more clearly defined.

Cohasset and
Hull.

By Mr. Baker of Dedham, remonstrance of A. B. Endicott and others, and, by Mr. Bailey of Scituate, remonstrance of William H. Litchfield and others,—severally against the annexation of a portion of the town of Cohasset to the town of Hull.

Hingham and
Hull.

By Mr. Jacobs of Hingham, remonstrance of DeWitt C. Bates and 415 others against the annexation of a portion of the town of Hingham to the town of Hull.

Severally referred to the committee on Towns.

Woman suf-
frage.

By Mr. Vinal of Somerville, petition of Lydia L. Turner and others for woman suffrage. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

East Boston
municipal court.

By Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, petition of Samuel Ingalls and others, that the municipal court for the East Boston district of the city of Boston be abolished, and a new court established to be called the municipal court for the East Boston and Winthrop districts, to include within its

jurisdiction the town of Winthrop. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Walker of Worcester, petition of the Worcester Safe Deposit and Trust Company for an amendment of its charter, so they may hold property in trust. Referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Worcester Safe
Deposit and
Trust Company.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Thomas of Brookline,—

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider what further legislation, if any, is necessary for the support of the orphan children of the soldiers and sailors who served upon the quota of this Commonwealth in the late war.

Orphan children of soldiers and sailors.

On motion of the same gentleman,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Library consider what legislation, if any, is necessary for the greater security of the ancient documents of the Commonwealth.

Ancient documents.

On motion of Mr. Willcutt of Boston,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending the law relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors, that notice by advertisement, not less than one week, in one or more papers to be designated by the licensing board, shall be given of all applications for licenses (except to apothecaries), stating the location at which the applicant proposes to conduct the business, and fixing a time when all persons objecting may appear and show cause why said license should not be granted, the cost of such advertisement to be paid by the applicant for license.

Applications for licenses.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Attleborough,—

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation inquire into the expediency of so amending sections 1 and 2 of chapter 167, Acts of the year 1861, prescribing the form of the assessors' books furnished by the Commonwealth to the several cities and towns, so as to omit columns 24, 25, 26, and 27 in reference to highway tax, to the end that the size of the books may be smaller.

Assessors' books.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Boston,—

Ordered, That the commissioner of insurance be requested to furnish to this Legislature, at an early day, a statement showing what amount of money was paid by life-insurance companies doing business in this Common-

Money paid to policy-holders by life-insurance companies.

wealth to policy-holders in this Commonwealth from Jan. 1, 1873, to Jan. 1, 1880:

First, As and for losses and policy claims;

Second, For matured endowments;

Third, To annuitants;

Fourth, For lapsed, surrendered, and purchased policies;

Fifth, For dividends to policy-holders.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Marblehead, —

Insolvent
debtors.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Chancery inquire whether any additional legislation is necessary to protect the rights of insolvent debtors during the pendency of the proceedings in insolvency.

On motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, —

Clerical assist-
ance for
supreme court.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing clerical assistance for the judges of the Supreme Judicial Court, with a view to facilitating the transaction of the public business, and promoting the efficiency of the court.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Defences and
answers in ac-
tions at law.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing for the admission of equitable defences and answers in actions at law.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, —

Return day of
writs.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of changing the time of the return day of all writs in suits at common law issuing out of either the Superior or Supreme Judicial Court in all counties of the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, —

Second assistant
clerk superior
court.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of increasing the compensation of the second assistant clerk of the superior court (civil side) in the county of Suffolk.

On motion of Mr. Bidwell of Monterey, —

Fifth Berkshire
District.

Ordered, That the Speaker issue a precept giving notice of the vacancy occasioned by the death of Alexander Hyde, a member of this House from the Fifth Berkshire Representative District, and appointing a time for an election to fill the same.

Introduced on Leave.

Registers of
probate.

By Mr. Wells of Cambridge, a Bill relating to registers of probate and insolvency. Read, and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Papers from the Senate.

A petition of the Franklin County Agricultural Society for establishment of an agricultural experiment station in connection with the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst was referred in concurrence to the committee on Agriculture. Experiment station.

The report of the committee on Expenditures, on the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General of the Commonwealth, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule. Securities in treasury.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Eager of Canton, the report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing so much of the General Statutes as relates to the proving of firearms, was discharged from the orders of the day, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Manufactures. Proving of firearms.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to late entry and continuance of civil causes before trial-justices. Entry and continuance of civil causes.

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enabling a trial-justice to take jurisdiction in a criminal cause originally before another trial-justice, in the absence of the latter. Jurisdiction of trial-justices.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the same committee, that the Bill (on leave) concerning the publication of lists of jurors ought not to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill. Lists of jurors.

By Mr. Coney of Springfield, from the committee on Federal Relations, on an order, a Resolution relating to the improvement to navigation of the Connecticut River. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on its adoption. Navigation of Connecticut River.

Boston protective department.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (on leave) in relation to pensioning disabled members of the Boston protective department ought to pass.

Assistant clerks of municipal court of Boston.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill (on leave) relating to the municipal court of the city of Boston for the transaction of criminal business ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Seals and badges.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to prevent the unauthorized use of the seals and badges of cities and towns.

College of Pharmacy.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on a petition, a Bill to change the time of the annual meeting of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Death of a Member.

Mr. Newton of Warren — Twelfth Worcester District.

Mr. Parratt of West Brookfield announced the death of George M. Newton of Warren, representative of the Twelfth Worcester District, and moved that a committee of six be appointed to attend the funeral, and to present resolutions of respect in honor of deceased. The motion was adopted by a unanimous rising vote, and the Speaker appointed the following committee:—

Messrs. Parratt of West Brookfield, Gifford of Falmouth, Allen of Lynn, Clark of Worcester, Fernald of Melrose, and Merritt of Springfield.

On further motion of Mr. Parratt, the House, without taking up the orders of the day, at half-past two o'clock adjourned.

TUESDAY, Jan. 25, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Experiment station.

By Mr. Stickney of Chelsea, petition of Stephen A. Hall and others for the establishment of an experiment station at the State Agricultural College at Amherst.

By Mr. Allen of Lowell, petition of Israel Putnam and others for legislation relative to the appointment of inspectors of vinegar. Vinegar.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Stover of Boston, petition of William H. Finney and others for a law allowing school committees to elect teachers for a term of years, or during good behavior. Election of teachers.

By Mr. Burke of Boston, petition of W. C. Mayo and others; by Mr. Shepard of Boston, petition of M. S. Nichols and others; and, by Mr. Gargan of Boston, petition of Luther L. Jenkins and others, — severally for a law requiring the school committee of Boston to confine its expenditures within the limit of the appropriations made by the city council. Boston school committee.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Avery of Plymouth, petition of William H. Nelson and others for a law prohibiting the removal of gravel from Duxbury beach. Referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands. Duxbury beach.

By Mr. Charles J. Noyes of Boston, petition of Sister Simplicia for aid from the Commonwealth for Carney Hospital. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Carney Hospital.

By Mr. Coffin of Newburyport, petition of the Newburyport Water Company for amendment of its act of incorporation. Referred to the committee on Public Health. Newburyport Water Company.

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, remonstrance of Joseph Tucker and 86 others; by Mr. E. R. Webster of Boston, remonstrance of William R. Robeson and others; and, by Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge, remonstrances of H. M. Brown and others, and of Chauncy Sears and others, — severally against authority being granted to the Housatonic Railroad to discontinue the Lenox station. Lenox station.

Severally referred to the committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Avery of Plymouth, petition of Thomas Churchill and others for legislation relieving mortgaged property from double taxation. Referred to the committee on Taxation. Double taxation.

By Mr. Kelley of Boston, petition of Chase Parker and others for the annexation to Boston of that portion of the town of Quincy known as Atlantic, Squantum, and Moon Island. Atlantic, Squantum, and Moon Island.

North Andover.

By Mr. Gilman of North Andover, petition of the selectmen of Andover and 25 others for an act to enable the said town to pay certain bounties.

Division of
Needham.

By Mr. Mackintosh of Needham, remonstrance of Oliver Smith and others against a division of the town of Needham.

Severally referred to the committee on Towns.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

Mutual fire
insurance.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending section 52, chapter 58 of the General Statutes, so as to allow mutual fire-insurance companies to issue policies for a greater amount than three-fourths of the value of the property insured.

Cider and native
wines.

On motion of Mr. Carleton of Georgetown, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 99 of the Acts of the year 1875, relating to the sale of cider and native wines by the makers thereof.

School instruction in
civil polity.

On motion of Mr. Newell of West Newbury, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of legislation to secure the giving of suitable instruction to the children in the public schools in relation to the government and civil polity of the State of Massachusetts and the United States.

Military instruction
in schools.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider what further legislation, if any, is necessary to legalize military instruction in the public schools.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Trustee costs.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of enacting a law so that the defendant in any suit brought under the trustee process shall not be liable for any costs when the amount assessed as damages is less than ten dollars.

Damages on
highways.

On motion of Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 234 of the Acts of the year 1877, in relation to the repair of highways, and remedies for injuries sustained thereon.

On motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of increasing the number of the judges of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Number of
supreme judi-
cial court
judges.

On motion of Mr. Clarke of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that in all cases brought in the superior court instead of before sheriffs' juries, under the provisions of chapter 261 of the Acts of the year 1873, costs shall be taxed and allowed to the prevailing party as in other civil cases in said court.

Sheriffs' juries.

On motion of Mr. McGeough of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 3, chapter 114 of the Acts of the year 1878, relative to the incorporation of the trustees of the public library of the city of Boston, so that there shall be two members of the common council annually elected as trustees of the city library.

Boston Public
Library.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 3, chapter 174 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to the incorporation of the trustees of the city hospital of the city of Boston, so that two members of the common council shall be annually elected as members of that board of trustees.

Boston City
Hospital.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint special committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending the registration laws of towns, that certain days and hours shall be appointed by selectmen for the purpose of registration, and that no registration shall be made except in said hours; and to inquire whether any further legislation in relation to said laws is necessary or expedient.

Registration in
towns, and the
election laws.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred a Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution to prevent the disfranchisement of certain soldiers and sailors becoming paupers, consider what action is necessary for submitting said article to the people for ratification and adoption.

Disfranchise-
ment of soldiers
and sailors.

A Bill in addition to "An Act to supply the town of Clinton with pure water" (reported on a bill introduced

Clinton water-
supply.

on leave in the Senate and on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Vinegar.

The petition of Frederick O. Prince, mayor of Boston, for amendments to chapter 113, Acts of 1880, providing for the appointment of inspectors of vinegar, referred in the Senate to the committee on Mercantile Affairs and sent down for concurrence, was, on motion of Mr. Root of Barre, referred to the committee on Agriculture in non-concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the reference.

Waverly Company.

The copy of the proposed petition of the Waverly Company for an amendment to its charter, extending its powers in respect to the purchase and sale of real estate, referred by the House to the committee on Agriculture, and sent up for concurrence, came down referred in non-concurrence to the committee on Mercantile affairs, in which reference the House concurred.

Liquor law.

The following petitions were referred in concurrence:—
Petition of the Massachusetts Temperance Alliance for the enactment of a stringent prohibitory law. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Cohasset, Hingham, and Hull.

Remonstrance of Edward G. Knight and others against the annexation of any portion of the towns of Cohasset or Hingham to the town of Hull; and

Ibid.

Remonstrance of L. Hollingsworth and 77 others against the annexation of a portion of the town of Cohasset to the town of Hull.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Reports of Committees.

Home for Aged Men.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Home for Aged Men to hold additional real and personal estate.

Release of prisoners.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 218 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to the release of prisoners for good conduct.

Tax-sales.

By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, from the same committee, on a bill on leave, a Bill in relation to taking and selling on execution rights of redeeming land from tax-sales.

Old Colony Railroad.

By Mr. Brown of Marblehead, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Old Colony Railroad Company to take land for additional tracks in Fall River.

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John P. Palmer.

By Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill in addition to "An Act to incorporate the Central Wharf and Wet Dock Corporation." Central Wharf
and Wet Dock
Corporation.

By Mr. Wells of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on a bill on leave, a Bill to amend chapter 64 of the Acts of the year 1880, giving probate courts jurisdiction of rights of husbands and wives, and for the protection of minor children. Husbands,
wives, and
minor children.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wells of Cambridge, from the last-named committee, that the Bill (on leave) relating to registers of probate and insolvency ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading. Registers of
probate and
insolvency.

By Mr. Wales of Randolph, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Ebenezer Gay. E. Gay.

By Mr. Bixby of Adams, from the committee on Claims, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of John McGrath. J. McGrath.

Severally read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (on leave) for the compensation of persons wrongfully arrested ought not to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill. Wrongful
arrests.

Orders of the Day.

Reports of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate: Orders of the
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On an order relative to prohibiting the issuing of writs by persons not members of the legal profession;

On an order relative to late entry and continuance of civil causes before trial-justices; and

On an order relative to enabling a trial-justice to take jurisdiction in a criminal cause originally before another trial-justice, in the absence of the latter;

Were severally accepted.

The report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of Wareham for confirmation of the boundary-lines between the towns of

Sandwich and Wareham, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

Concerning married women doing business on their separate account;

In relation to pensioning disabled members of the Boston protective department;

Relating to the municipal court of the city of Boston for the transaction of criminal business (amended on motion of Mr. Jefferson of Worcester by striking out section two);

To prevent the unauthorized use of the seals and badges of cities and towns; and

To change the time of the annual meeting of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to change the name of the Globe Rubber Company was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolution relating to the improvement to navigation of the Connecticut River was adopted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill (on leave) concerning the publication of lists of jurors was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

At ten minutes past three o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 26, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Charles P.
Brooks.

By Mr. Stover of Boston petition of Charles P. Brooks for compensation for labor performed and materials furnished in repairs on the State House.

Jane Parks.

By Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge, petition of Jane Parks for further aid from the Commonwealth.

Severally referred to the committee on Claims.

Biennial elec-
tions.

By Mr. Rice of Florida, remonstrance of M. E. Josselyn and others against biennial elections. Referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Shepard of Boston, petition of Asa P. Potter and 53 others for a law requiring the school committee of Boston to confine its expenditures within the limit of the appropriations made by the city council. Referred to the committee on Education. Boston school committee.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, petition of Josephine A. Wyatt for State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs. Josephine A. Wyatt.

By Mr. Slocum of Dartmouth, petition of Joseph C. Little and others for incorporation as the Maple Grove Cemetery Association of Westport. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies. Maple Grove Cemetery Association.

By Mr. Vinal of Somerville, petition of the Board of Health of the city of Somerville for legislation to prevent the pollution of the water of Alewife Brook by sewage from the city of Cambridge. Alewife Brook.

By Mr. Wonson of Gloucester, petition of Joseph O. Proctor and others for incorporation as the Gloucester Water-Supply Company. Gloucester Water-Supply Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Quirk of Boston, petition of Joseph Caldwell and others, for exemption from taxation of shipping engaged in foreign trade. Referred to the committee on Taxation. Foreign shipping.

By Mr. Cable of Hyde Park, remonstrance of Henry C. Stark and others; by Mr. Mackintosh of Needham, remonstrance of Gardner H. Starkey and others,—severally against the annexation of any part of the town of Cohasset to the town of Hull. Cohasset and Hull.

Severally referred to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Thomas of Brookline, petition of Charles E. Hapgood and Thomas H. Talbot, in behalf of Post 143, G. A. R., for an act of incorporation. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Post 143, G. A. R.

By Mr. Wells of Cambridge, petition of Lucy Stone and others for such legislation as will enable married women to receive from, and make to, their husbands, conveyances of property; and that, if they die intestate, their personal property may descend to their children. Referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery. Married women.

Orders.

Hawkers and peddlers. On motion of Mr. Nichols of Lawrence,—
Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of providing by law for a uniform fee to be charged to those engaged in business as hawkers and peddlers, the same not to exceed ten dollars.

Organ at the State Prison. On motion of Mr. Swift of Yarmouth,—
Ordered, That the committee on Prisons inquire into the expediency of authorizing the commissioners of prisons to purchase and pay for, out of the unexpended balance of the appropriation for 1880, an organ for the chapel of the State Prison at Concord.

Mining, quarrying, and oil companies. On motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton,—
Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider and report whether any and what changes should be made in the laws relating to the taxation of mining, quarrying, and oil companies.

General railroad laws. On motion of Mr. Allen of Lowell,—
Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be directed to furnish for the use of the committee on Railroads fifteen copies of the general railroad law, printed under the provisions of chapter 264, section 7, of the Acts of the year 1878.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Equity. On motion of Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge,—
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of changing or revising the judicial system of the Commonwealth in all that relates to tribunals and jurisdiction in equity.

Introduced on Leave.

Boston school committee. By Mr. McDonald of Boston, a Bill in relation to the school committee of the city of Boston. Read, and referred to the committee on Education.

Appeals from assessments. By Mr. Butler of Somerville, a Bill relating to appeals from the assessment of taxes. Read, and referred to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted. Engrossed bills:
 Making appropriations for the mileage and compensation of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for other purposes; and

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills:

Concerning transfers of stocks and bonds by trustees; Transfers of stock by trustees.
and

To repeal chapter 152 of the General Statutes, concerning recognizances for debts; and a Recognizances for debts.

Resolve to confirm the acts done by Nathan Morse as a Nathan Morse
justice of the peace;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on the annual report of the State directors of the Boston and Albany Railroad Corporation, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. State directors.

A petition of Joseph P. Johnson and others for the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Barnstable came down referred to a joint special committee, to consist of three on the part of the Senate, and eight on the part of the House; and Messrs. Knowlton, Lilley, and Rockwell, were appointed the committee on the part of the Senate. On motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, the petition was laid on the table. Joseph M. Day.

A Bill to regulate the salary of the county commissioners of the county of Bristol, introduced on leave in the Senate, was read, and referred in concurrence to the committee on Expenditures. Bristol-county commissioners.

A petition of Giles H. Rich, clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary, was referred in concurrence to the committee on Expenditures. Giles H. Rich.

A petition of Chester Snow and others for an act of incorporation as the States Union Telegraph and Telegraph Construction Company was referred in concurrence to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. States Union Telegraph Company.

Use of the Hall for a Committee Hearing.

Use of the
representatives'
chamber.

Mr. Collamore of Pembroke moved that the committee on Woman Suffrage be allowed the use of the hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of a hearing to-morrow morning. The motion was lost by a vote of ninety-one to seventy-six, four-fifths of the members not having voted in the affirmative.

Reports of Committees.

Licensing
engineers.

By Mr. Smith of Boston, from the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing for the licensing of engineers in charge of steam-boilers.

Thomas F.
Newton.

By Mr. Tinkham of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas F. Newton for payment for service in the Seventh Regiment from April 19 to July 12, 1861.

Elvira F. Buck.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Elvira F. Buck for State aid.

F. B. Kellogg.

By Mr. Marble of Freetown, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frederick B. Kellogg for State aid.

Lenox railroad
station.

By Mr. Phillips of Springfield, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Alfred Gilmore and others, that the Housatonic Railroad Company may be authorized to discontinue its station at Lenox.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Middlesex Agri-
cultural Society.

By Mr. Root of Barre, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Middlesex Agricultural Society. Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Criminal trials.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (on leave) relating to the trial of criminal causes ought not to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Mercantile Sav-
ings Institution.

By Mr. Jacobs of Lynn, from the committee on Banks and Banking, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the receivers of the Mercantile Savings Institution of Boston. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, from the committee appointed to prepare Rules and Orders for the government of the House, that the Rules and Orders of the last House of Representatives, with the exception of Rules 21 and 96, which have already been acted on, be adopted, with the following amendment:—

House Rules
and Orders.

For Rule No. 30, substitute the following:—

Rule 30. No bill or resolve affecting the rights of individuals or of private or municipal corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth, shall be reported by a committee, unless it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that notice has been given by public advertisement or otherwise to all parties interested without expense to the Commonwealth; or unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced, that the parties interested have in writing waived notice.

Read, and accepted under suspension of the rule.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill in relation to the foreclosure and redemption of mortgages.

Mortgages.

By Mr. Stevens of Clinton, from the committee on Military Affairs, on an order, a Resolve to provide for the re-issue of testimonials to soldiers and sailors.

Testimonials to
soldiers and
sailors.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on an order, a Bill in relation to harbor-masters.

Harbor-masters

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve relating to certain repairs at the State Prison at Concord ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Repairs on
State Prison.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill (on leave) for the compensation of persons wrongfully arrested, was, on motion of Mr. Phillips of Springfield, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary; and, on a further motion of the same gentleman, the bill was ordered to be printed.

Orders of the
day.

The Bill authorizing the town of Swampscott to pay a certain claim to John P. Palmer was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading,

was, on motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Bills:

To authorize the Old Colony Railroad Company to take land for additional tracks in Fall River;

To authorize the Home for Aged Men to hold additional real and personal estate;

To amend chapter 218 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to the release of prisoners for good conduct;

In relation to taking and selling, on execution, rights of redeeming land from tax-sales;

To amend chapter 64 of the Acts of the year 1880, giving probate courts jurisdiction of rights of husbands and wives, and for the protection of minor children;

In addition to "An Act to incorporate the Central Wharf and Wet Dock Corporation;" and

In addition to "An Act to supply the town of Clinton with pure water;"

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to registers of probate and insolvency was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, recommitted, with instructions to report a bill including a provision requiring registers of probate and insolvency to keep regular dockets.

Bills:

Concerning married women doing business on their separate account (amended, on motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant);

In relation to pensioning disabled members of the Boston protective department (its title having been amended, on motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston, to read, "Bill in relation to holding funds contributed for the relief of members of the Boston protective department and their families");

Relating to the municipal court of the city of Boston, for the transaction of criminal business (its title having been changed, by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to read, "Bill relating to the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston, for the transaction of criminal business");

To prevent the unauthorized use of the seals and badges of cities and towns; and

To change the time of the annual meeting of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At ten minutes past three o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY, Jan. 27, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Parmenter of Amherst, petition of the Hampshire Agricultural Society for the establishment of an experiment station at the State Agricultural College. Experiment station.

By Mr. Vining of Conway, petition of the Franklin County Agricultural Society for legislation restricting the sale of oleomargarine. Oleomargarine.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Wales of Randolph, petition of William Walsh for relief for injuries sustained by suits in his absence while a soldier in the late war. Referred to the committee on Claims. William Walsh.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, petition of Henry L. Chase and others for a law allowing school committees to elect teachers for a term of years, or during good behavior. Referred to the committee on Education. School committees.

By Mr. Forbes of Westborough, petition of S. A. Forbes and others for an amendment to the State Constitution forever prohibiting the manufacture and sale, as beverages, of all intoxicating liquors. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law. Liquors.

By Mr. Brown of Lowell, petition of the mayor of Lowell for authority for said city to make regulations necessary for the preservation of the public health in the construction and maintenance of tenement houses. Referred to the committee on Public Health. Lowell tenement houses.

By Mr. Butler of Somerville, petition of H. W. Ball and others for an amendment to the general laws to prevent the entry upon and taking of lands for the construction of any railroad, before the county commissioners have determined the question of grade-crossings at highways or other ways. Referred to the committee on Railroads. Grade-crossings.

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Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

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Bills:

Concerning transfers of stocks and bonds by trustees; and

Transfers of stock by trustees.

To repeal chapter 152 of the General Statutes, concerning recognizances for debts; and a

Recognizances for debts.

Resolve to confirm the acts done by Nathan Morse as a justice of the peace;

Nathan Morse

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on the annual report of the State directors of the Boston and Albany Railroad Corporation, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

State directors.

A petition of Joseph P. Johnson and others for the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Barnstable came down referred to a joint special committee, to consist of three on the part of the Senate, and eight on the part of the House; and Messrs. Knowlton, Lilley, and Rockwell, were appointed the committee on the part of the Senate. On motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, the petition was laid on the table.

Joseph M. Day.

A Bill to regulate the salary of the county commissioners of the county of Bristol, introduced on leave in the Senate, was read, and referred in concurrence to the committee on Expenditures.

Bristol-county commissioners.

A petition of Giles H. Rich, clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary, was referred in concurrence to the committee on Expenditures.

Giles H. Rich.

A petition of Chester Snow and others for an act of incorporation as the States Union Telegraph and Telegraph Construction Company was referred in concurrence to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

States Union Telegraph Company.

Use of the Hall for a Committee Hearing.

Use of the
representatives'
chamber.

Mr. Collamore of Pembroke moved that the committee on Woman Suffrage be allowed the use of the hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of a hearing to-morrow morning. The motion was lost by a vote of ninety-one to seventy-six, four-fifths of the members not having voted in the affirmative.

Reports of Committees.

Licensing
engineers.

By Mr. Smith of Boston, from the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing for the licensing of engineers in charge of steam-boilers.

Thomas F.
Newton.

By Mr. Tinkham of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas F. Newton for payment for service in the Seventh Regiment from April 19 to July 12, 1861.

Elvira F. Buck.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Elvira F. Buck for State aid.

F. B. Kellogg.

By Mr. Marble of Freetown, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frederick B. Kellogg for State aid.

Lenox railroad
station.

By Mr. Phillips of Springfield, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Alfred Gilmore and others, that the Housatonic Railroad Company may be authorized to discontinue its station at Lenox.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Middlesex Agri-
cultural Society.

By Mr. Root of Barre, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Middlesex Agricultural Society. Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Criminal trials.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (on leave) relating to the trial of criminal causes ought not to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Mercantile Sav-
ings Institution.

By Mr. Jacobs of Lynn, from the committee on Banks and Banking, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the receivers of the Mercantile Savings Institution of Boston. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, from the committee appointed to prepare Rules and Orders for the government of the House, that the Rules and Orders of the last House of Representatives, with the exception of Rules 21 and 96, which have already been acted on, be adopted, with the following amendment:—

House Rules
and Orders.

For Rule No. 30, substitute the following:—

Rule 30. No bill or resolve affecting the rights of individuals or of private or municipal corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth, shall be reported by a committee, unless it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that notice has been given by public advertisement or otherwise to all parties interested without expense to the Commonwealth; or unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced, that the parties interested have in writing waived notice.

Read, and accepted under suspension of the rule.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill in relation to the foreclosure and redemption of mortgages.

Mortgages.

By Mr. Stevens of Clinton, from the committee on Military Affairs, on an order, a Resolve to provide for the re-issue of testimonials to soldiers and sailors.

Testimonials to
soldiers and
sailors.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on an order, a Bill in relation to harbor-masters.

Harbor-masters

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve relating to certain repairs at the State Prison at Concord ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Repairs on
State Prison.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill (on leave) for the compensation of persons wrongfully arrested, was, on motion of Mr. Phillips of Springfield, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary; and, on a further motion of the same gentleman, the bill was ordered to be printed.

Orders of the
day.

The Bill authorizing the town of Swampscott to pay a certain claim to John P. Palmer was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading,

was, on motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Bills:

To authorize the Old Colony Railroad Company to take land for additional tracks in Fall River;

To authorize the Home for Aged Men to hold additional real and personal estate;

To amend chapter 218 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to the release of prisoners for good conduct;

In relation to taking and selling, on execution, rights of redeeming land from tax-sales;

To amend chapter 64 of the Acts of the year 1880, giving probate courts jurisdiction of rights of husbands and wives, and for the protection of minor children;

In addition to "An Act to incorporate the Central Wharf and Wet Dock Corporation;" and

In addition to "An Act to supply the town of Clinton with pure water;"

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to registers of probate and insolvency was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, recommitted, with instructions to report a bill including a provision requiring registers of probate and insolvency to keep regular dockets.

Bills:

Concerning married women doing business on their separate account (amended, on motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant);

In relation to pensioning disabled members of the Boston protective department (its title having been amended, on motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston, to read, "Bill in relation to holding funds contributed for the relief of members of the Boston protective department and their families");

Relating to the municipal court of the city of Boston, for the transaction of criminal business (its title having been changed, by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to read, "Bill relating to the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston, for the transaction of criminal business");

To prevent the unauthorized use of the seals and badges of cities and towns; and

To change the time of the annual meeting of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At ten minutes past three o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY, Jan. 27, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Parmenter of Amherst, petition of the Hampshire Agricultural Society for the establishment of an experiment station at the State Agricultural College. Experiment station.

By Mr. Vining of Conway, petition of the Franklin County Agricultural Society for legislation restricting the sale of oleomargarine. Oleomargarine.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Wales of Randolph, petition of William Walsh for relief for injuries sustained by suits in his absence while a soldier in the late war. Referred to the committee on Claims. William Walsh.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, petition of Henry L. Chase and others for a law allowing school committees to elect teachers for a term of years, or during good behavior. Referred to the committee on Education. School committees.

By Mr. Forbes of Westborough, petition of S. A. Forbes and others for an amendment to the State Constitution forever prohibiting the manufacture and sale, as beverages, of all intoxicating liquors. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law. Liquors.

By Mr. Brown of Lowell, petition of the mayor of Lowell for authority for said city to make regulations necessary for the preservation of the public health in the construction and maintenance of tenement houses. Referred to the committee on Public Health. Lowell tenement houses.

By Mr. Butler of Somerville, petition of H. W. Ball and others for an amendment to the general laws to prevent the entry upon and taking of lands for the construction of any railroad, before the county commissioners have determined the question of grade-crossings at highways or other ways. Referred to the committee on Railroads. Grade-crossings.

Monatiquot
River.

By Mr. Sheppard of Braintree, petition of E. P. Worster and others, relative to the maintenance of the bridge over Monatiquot River. Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Cohasset and
Hull.

By Mr. Baker of Dedham, remonstrance of Tyler Thayer and others against the annexation of any part of Cohasset to Hull. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Bumstead of Springfield, petition of M. A. P. Clark and others; by Mr. Forbes of Westborough, petition of Henry Whittemore and others; and, by Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, petition of Maria F. Walling and others, — severally for woman suffrage.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Biennial
elections.

By Mr. Barton of Gill, remonstrance of George A. Berry and others; by Mr. O'Neil of Boston, remonstrance of Charles Friede and others; and, by Mr. Russell of Sunderland, remonstrance of A. B. Oatman and others, — severally against biennial elections.

Severally placed on file.

Joseph M. Day.

Mr. Cogswell of Salem presented a petition of F. Small and others for an address for the removal of Joseph M. Day, judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Barnstable, and, in connection therewith, offered the following order, which, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, was laid over until to-morrow: —

Ordered, That the petition of F. Small and others that the Governor and Council may be addressed, and the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Barnstable, be recommended, be referred to a special committee, to consist of nine members of the House, to investigate and report what action is advisable on the subject-matter of said petition, and that such committee have power to send for persons and papers, and to employ clerical assistance and the services of a stenographer.

Introduced on Leave.

Military
commissions.

By Mr. Hale of Milford, a Bill in relation to the commissions of militia officers. Read, referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of so amending chapter 173, section 1, of the Acts of the year 1865, as to permit officers of instruction and government of Harvard College to vote for overseers of that institution. Harvard College.

On motion of Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing by law for the opening of the polls at six o'clock on the morning of our national, State, and municipal elections, so as to afford ample opportunity to all, of exercising their rights in this respect. Opening of the polls.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the committee on County Estimates consider the expediency of authorizing the monthly or quarterly payment of county commissioners and other county officers. County commissioners.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law, in addition to the remedies already provided for the recovery of damages for injuries caused by the use of intoxicating liquors, that all moneys received for liquor licenses by the several cities and towns be set apart and appropriated for the payment of such damages. Civil damages.

On motion of Mr. French of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation relative to the proper ventilation and heating of factories and workshops. Ventilation of factories, etc.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That, in view of the numerous accidents which occur by reason of persons attempting to get on and off steam-cars while in motion, the committee on Railroads be instructed to inquire what legislation is necessary for protection against such accidents. Getting on and off cars.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Brackett of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of regulating by law the naming of streets and ways in the cities of this Commonwealth. Naming of streets.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Actions brought
by seamen.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation providing for the prompt trial of actions brought by seamen or others against the owners or masters of vessels, and in which said vessels are attached on mesne process, and otherwise regulating such actions and attachments.

On motion of Mr. Robbins of Pittsfield, —

Fees to officers.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that officers who are paid for their services by a fixed compensation shall not receive fees in addition thereto.

On motion of Mr. Bryant of Russell, —

Insane paupers.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the laws relative to the support of insane paupers committed to lunatic-hospitals, in connection with criminal proceedings against them.

Papers from the Senate.

Commissioners
on liquor law.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law that towns and cities not otherwise provided for by existing statutes may appoint commissioners with such compensation as said towns and cities may determine, whose duty it shall be to see that existing laws relative to the liquor traffic shall be enforced, and to have the same powers as the boards of aldermen of cities and the selectmen of towns now have.

Commitment
of the insane.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of amending the law with regard to the commitment of the insane to lunatic-hospitals.

Expenditures
by school
committees.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education consider the expediency of legislation requiring the school committees of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth to confine their expenditures within the limits of the appropriations made for their use.

Chelsea police
court.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Expenditures inquire into the expediency of establishing the office of clerk of the police court of the city of Chelsea.

Bills:

Meetings of
voters in Boston.

Amending the charter of the city of Boston by repealing the provision therein for general meetings of the legal voters; and

Relative to the assessment of damages for lands taken for public uses; Land damages.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The following petitions were referred in concurrence:—

Petition of A. A. Putnam, justice of the second district court of Southern Worcester, asking for an increase of salary. To the committee on Expenditures. Justice second district court of Southern Worcester.

Petition of Willard T. Leonard and others for a law allowing school committees to elect teachers for a term of years, or during good behavior. To the committee on Education. Teachers.

Petition of the county commissioners of the county of Worcester for leave to take a portion of the State hospital lands in Worcester for widening Summer Street. To the committee on Roads and Bridges. Summer Street, Worcester.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law that no sale, pledge, mortgage, or lien upon any household furniture or family supplies shall be valid, except with the written assent of the wife. Household furniture, etc.

By Mr. Albee of Cambridge, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the second proposed amendment as to biennial elections as to provide for the election of one-half of the members of the Senate and House of Representatives each year, to serve for the term of two years. Biennial elections.

By Mr. Fernald of Melrose, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to exempting from taxation owners of homesteads to the amount of one thousand dollars. Homesteads.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Barton of Gill, from the committee on Banks and Banking, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the receivers of the Hyannis Savings Bank. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence. Hyannis Savings Bank.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Massachusetts Fish Exchange. Massachusetts Fish Exchange.

Peabody and
Victoria Mills.

By Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Peabody and Victoria Mills to open certain streets in Newburyport for the purpose of laying gas-pipes.

Biennial
elections.

By Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, that the Resolve providing for amendments to the Constitution to provide for biennial elections, agreed to by the Legislature of 1880 and referred to the Legislature of 1881, ought to pass (Mr. Quigley of the Senate, and Messrs. Galvin of Boston, Clarke of New Bedford, and Thayer of North Adams, dissenting).

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

John McGrath.

By Mr. Prouty of Spencer, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of John McGrath ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Death of a Member.

Death of
Josiah F. Stone.

Mr. Hayden of Woburn announced the death of Mr. Josiah F. Stone of Winchester, representative for the Fourteenth Middlesex District, and moved that a committee of six be appointed to attend the funeral and prepare resolutions of respect in honor of deceased. The motion was adopted by a unanimous rising vote, and the Speaker appointed the following committee:—

Messrs. Hayden of Woburn, Brown of Marblehead, Thomas of Brookline, McSorley of Cambridge, Rand of Medford, and Tappan of Manchester.

On a further motion of Mr. Hayden, the House, without taking up the orders of the day, at thirty-five minutes past two o'clock adjourned.

FRIDAY, Jan. 28, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Noxious plants.

By Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, petition of P. G. Bowerman and others for a law compelling the clearing of land of Canada thistles, wild carrot, and other noxious plants.

Experiment
station.

By Mr. Newell of West Newbury, petition of Haydn Brown and others; by Mr. Ames of Worcester, petition

of C. L. Hartshorn and others; and, by Mr. Sawin of Templeton, petition of Sanford B. Cook and others, — severally for the establishment of an agricultural experiment station at the State Agricultural College.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, petition of the Crosby Steam-Gauge and Valve Company for repayment of tax paid by mistake. Referred to the committee on Claims.

Crosby Steam-Gauge and Valve Company.

By Mr. Learnard of Boston, petition of Francis Jones and others for a law requiring the school committee of Boston to confine its expenditures within the limit of the appropriations made by the city council. Referred to the committee on Education.

Boston school committee.

By Mr. Hemphill of Holyoke, petition of Joseph Carew and others for a removal of all restrictions against taking shad and alewives in the Connecticut River. Referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Shad in Connecticut River.

By Mr. Burke of Boston, petition of the mayor of Boston for an act authorizing said city to take certain land, flats, docks, and wharves for a landing for the East Boston ferry-boats. Referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

East Boston ferries.

By Mr. Merritt of Springfield, petition of Adelia T. Jones for back State aid.

Adelia T. Jones.

By Mr. Baker of Beverly, petition of Charles L. Gill that the town of Stoneham may be authorized to pay certain bounties.

Stoneham.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Carleton of Georgetown, petition of the selectmen of Groveland for certain legislation relative to maintaining and repairing the bridge over Merrimack River, between the city of Haverhill and said town. Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Groveland bridge.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of Eustace C. Fitz and 158 others for legislation exempting from taxation ships engaged in foreign trade. Referred to the committee on Taxation.

Ships in foreign trade.

By Mr. Sheppard of Braintree, remonstrance of Samuel A. Bates and others, and, by Mr. Eager of Canton, remonstrance of the selectmen of Canton and others, — severally against the annexation of any part of Cohasset to Hull.

Cohasset and Hull.

Severally referred to the committee on Towns.

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, petition of Mary May and others for woman suffrage. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Lowell
aldermen.

By Mr. Allen of Lowell, petition of Frederic T. Greenhalge, mayor of Lowell, for such amendment of the charter of said city as will allow the board of aldermen to consist of nine members.

Liabilities of
employers.

By Mr. Fernald of Melrose, petition of E. B. Goodsell and others for such legislation as will enlarge and extend the liabilities of employers for injuries sustained by their employés.

Chelsea city
clerk.

By Mr. Jones of Chelsea, petition of the mayor of Chelsea for an act authorizing the appointment of a city clerk *pro tempore*.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Biennial
elections.

By Mr. Mackintosh of Needham, remonstrance of George W. Merrill and others against biennial elections. Placed on file.

Orders.

Game.

On motion of Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of so amending the game laws that it shall be unlawful to kill birds of any kind on the land of another, or on the highway at any season of the year, without first getting the consent of the owner or occupant of said land.

Savings-banks
investments.

On motion of Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of enlarging the power of the trustees of savings banks in making investments.

Sale of real
estate by savings
banks.

On motion of Mr Butler of Somerville, —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of so amending chapter 203 of the Acts of the year 1876 as to extend or enlarge the time within which savings banks are required, under section 26 of said act, to sell the real estate acquired by them in the manner named in said section.

Tax on savings-
banks deposits.

On motion of Mr. Robbins of Pittsfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of legislation reducing the tax on deposits in savings banks.

On motion of Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of so amending the law relating to life insurance, that no life-insurance company located outside of this Commonwealth shall be permitted to issue or deliver any policies herein, unless the same are duly countersigned by an authorized agent residing in this Commonwealth, and are subject to the same restrictions and liabilities as the Massachusetts companies, and to fix any tax or penalty to which such agent shall be subject.

Life-insurance policies.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Shepard of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law that vacancies in the board of aldermen of the city of Boston shall be filled by a majority of the ballots of the remaining members.

Vacancies in Boston aldermen.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending or striking out section 19, chapter 165 of the General Statutes, concerning the crime of blasphemy.

Blasphemy.

On motion of Mr. Wells of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Chancery consider the expediency of such legislation as will enable the assignees of an insolvent debtor to relieve real property belonging to the insolvent estate from the encumbrance arising from the contingent right of dower of the debtor's wife therein.

Right of dower in insolvent estates.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the committee on Rules and Orders consider the expediency of repealing or amending the laws relative to applications to the Legislature for general or special legislation.

Applications for legislation.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Rules and Orders consider the expediency of amending or repealing chapter 160 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to the preparation and presentation to the General Court of public and private business.

Presentation of business to the General Court.

On motion of Mr. Butler of Boston, —

Ordered, That in the matter of the petition of William F. Claflin and others, petitioners for a recount of the vote and investigation of charges of illegal voting for representative in the Thirtieth Middlesex District, the commit-

Thirtieth Middlesex District.

tee on Elections be authorized to proceed to Hopkinton for the purpose of taking testimony, and that they be allowed to employ a stenographer to aid them.

Indexes in registers of deeds.

The following order, offered by Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge, was, at the request of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, laid over until Monday:—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary ascertain whether the provisions of sections 97, 98, and 103, of chapter 17 of the General Statutes, concerning the registering of deeds and other instruments, and chapter 162 of the Acts of the year 1874, concerning records of town proprietaries, are complied with; also that the committee consider the expediency of amending the law relating to indexes to be kept by registers of deeds, and compelling the perfecting of indexes in any registry where the same are now imperfect.

Joseph M. Day.

The order offered yesterday by Mr. Cogswell of Salem, and laid over, relative to the petition of F. Small and others, in relation to the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Barnstable, was adopted.

Papers from the Senate.

Liquor licenses.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 99 of the Acts of the year 1875 as to require the consent of owners of dwelling-houses situated near the place where intoxicating liquors are intended to be sold, before a license shall be granted.

Fidelity insurance.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance consider and report on the expediency of amending chapter 130 of the Acts of the year 1879, so as to provide that accident insurance companies of other States or countries may transact in this Commonwealth the business of fidelity insurance.

Plumbers.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider the necessity of passing an act prohibiting plumbers from placing any water or waste pipes in dwelling-houses or public buildings, unless they have been licensed to do such work by the Board of Health in the city or town where said work is to be performed.

State stock in New-York and New-England Railroad.

The following order was amended, on motion of Mr. Allen of Lowell, by striking out the word "Railroads," and inserting instead thereof the word "Expenditures,"

and was adopted, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment:—

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads inquire into the expediency of repealing section 2 of chapter 271 of the Acts of the year 1879, in relation to the sale of State stock in the New-York and New-England Railroad.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry M. Whitney and others for incorporation as the Boston Lighterage Company, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Boston Lighterage Company.

The following petitions were referred in concurrence:—

Petition of Hon. Frederick O. Prince, mayor of Boston, for the passage of an act granting to the city of Boston portions of Charles-river flats for the purpose of constructing portions of the Charles-river embankment, etc.; and

Boston — Charles-river embankment.

Petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad for authority to remove its drawbridge over Miller's River, and to construct, instead, a bridge without a draw.

Boston and Maine Railroad.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Petition of the inhabitants of the town of Acton for legislation to authorize said town to pay bounties to certain re-enlisted soldiers of the Twenty-sixth Massachusetts Volunteers credited on the quota of that town. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Acton.

Remonstrance of John Augustus and others against the annexation of portions of the towns of Cohasset and Hingham to the town of Hull. To the committee on Towns.

Cohasset, Hingham, and Hull.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

In addition to "An Act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year;" and

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses; (Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 3, chapter 174 of the Acts of the year

Boston City Hospital.

1880, relative to incorporating the trustees of the City Hospital of the city of Boston.

Boston Public Library.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 3, chapter 114 of the Acts of the year 1878, relative to incorporating the trustees of the Boston Public Library.

Capital crimes.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the transfer of the trial of capital crimes from the supreme judicial to the superior court.

Sandwich —
Cape-Cod Canal.

By Mr. Farrar of Abington, from the committee on Claims, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of Sandwich for relief from expense incurred in procuring special police to protect the citizens of Sandwich from the Italian laborers on Cape-Cod Canal.

Sandwich —
Charles F.
Freeman.

By Mr. McDonald of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of Sandwich for relief for the support of Charles F. Freeman at the Danvers hospital.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Nantucket Agri-
cultural Society.

By Mr. Budington of Leyden, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Nantucket Agricultural Society. Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for certain educational expenses.

Ibid.

By Mr. Foster of Tewksbury, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill in further addition to "An Act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year."

Clerk-hire in
Secretary's
department.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Expenditures, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 79 of the Acts of the year 1879, relating to the compensation of employes in the Secretary's department, and for other purposes.

American Loan
and Trust
Company.

By Mr. Thomas of Brookline, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the American Loan and Trust Company.

Boston Beef-
Packing
Company.

By Mr. Butler of Somerville, from the committee on Claims, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Boston Beef-Packing Company.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Ebenezer Gay.

By Mr. Stevens of Malden, from the committee on Fi-

nance, that the Resolve in favor of Ebenezer Gay ought to pass.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Resolve to confirm the acts done by Nathan Morse as a justice of the peace ought to pass. Nathan Morse.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Galvin of Boston, the report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the second proposed amendment as to biennial elections, was discharged from the orders of the day, and postponed for consideration until next Thursday, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day. Biennial elections.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Resolve providing for amendments to the Constitution to provide for biennial elections was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Galvin, postponed for further consideration until next Thursday. Ibid.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, the annual report of the State inspector of gas and gas-meters was taken from the table, referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and sent up for concurrence. Gas and gas-meters.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill (on leave) for the compensation of persons wrongfully arrested was further considered. Its rejection, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, was negatived, and the bill was ordered to a second reading. Orders of the day.

The Bill authorizing the town of Swampscott to pay a certain claim to John P. Palmer was further considered, and ordered to a third reading.

Reports:

Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the licensing of engineers in charge of steam-boilers; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw:

On the petition of Thomas F. Newton for payment for service in the Seventh Regiment from April 19 to July 12, 1861;

On the petition of Elvira F. Buck for State aid; and

On the petition of Frederick B. Kellogg for State aid;

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Alfred Gilmore and others, that the Housatonic Railroad Company may be authorized to discontinue its station at Lenox; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to exempting from taxation owners of homesteads to the amount of one thousand dollars;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on the annual report of the State directors of the Boston and Albany Railroad Corporation, was accepted in concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law that no sale, pledge, mortgage, or lien upon any household furniture or family supplies shall be valid, except with the written assent of the wife, was accepted.

The Bill (on leave) relating to the trial of criminal causes was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill in addition to "An Act to incorporate the Central Wharf and Wet Dock Corporation" was read a third time, and, pending an amendment moved by Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, to strike out section 7, and insert instead a new section, and pending the question on engrossment, further consideration of the bill was postponed until Monday, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

Bills:

In relation to the foreclosure and redemption of mortgages (amended on motions of Mr. Tufts of Boston);

In relation to harbor-masters;

To incorporate the Massachusetts Fish Exchange; and

To authorize the Peabody and Victoria Mills to open certain streets in Newburyport for the purpose of laying gas-pipes; and

Resolves:

In favor of John McGrath;

Relating to certain repairs at the State Prison at Concord ; and

To provide for the re-issue of testimonials to soldiers and sailors ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To authorize the Old Colony Railroad Company to take land for additional tracks in Fall River ;

To authorize the Home for Aged Men to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To amend chapter 218 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to the release of prisoners for good conduct ;

In relation to taking and selling, on execution, rights of redeeming land from tax-sales ; and

To amend chapter 64 of the Acts of the year 1880, giving probate courts jurisdiction of rights of husbands and wives, and for the protection of minor children ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in addition to "An Act to supply the town of Clinton with pure water" was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

At half-past three o'clock adjourned.

MONDAY, Jan. 31, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Strong of Newton.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Dever of Boston, petition of John Lamb and others ; by Mr. E. R. Webster of Boston, petition of C. G. Brooks and others ; and, by Mr. Livermore of Boston, petition of C. P. Lovell and others, — severally for such legislation as will require the school committee of the city of Boston to confine its expenditures within the appropriations made therefor by the city council.

Boston school committee.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of E. C. Bowen, M.D., and others for incorporation as the Union Medical Society.

Union Medical Society.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

First district
court of
Plymouth.

By Mr. Packard of Brockton, petition of David L. Cowell, clerk of the first district court of Plymouth, for increase of salary. Referred to the committee on Expenditures.

Institute of
Technology.

By Mr. Hayden of Woburn, petition of William B. Rogers, president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, for a continuance of the rights conferred by chapter 174 of the Acts of the year 1873, relating to erecting buildings in the city of Boston. Referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Co-operative
associations.

By Mr. Keith of Brockton, petition of the Campello Co-operative Saving-Fund and Loan Association for change of corporate name, and for change of the law relating to such associations.

Ibid.

By Mr. Taylor of Haverhill, petition of Amos H. Denning and others for amendment of the Act of 1877, concerning co-operative saving-fund and loan associations, and for an act changing the name of the Haverhill Co-operative Saving-Fund and Loan Association.

Ibid.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of Josiah Quincy and others for an act changing the name of the Pioneer Co-operative Saving-Fund and Loan Association, and for amendment to chapter 224 of the Acts of the year 1877, concerning such associations.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

Waverly
Company.

By Mr. Brown of Reading, petition of the Waverly Company for an amendment of its charter. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Pharmacy.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, remonstrance of Cheney & Myrick and others against any law regulating the sale of drugs and medicines which shall grant privileges to the few as against the many. Referred to the committee on Public Health.

Railroad grades
at Miller's Falls.

By Mr. Brown of Marblehead, petition of the Fitchburg Railroad Company for authority to separate the grades of the New London, Northern, and Fitchburg Railroads at Miller's Falls.

Eastern and
Fitchburg
Railroads.

By Mr. Butler of Somerville, petition of the Eastern Railroad Company and Fitchburg Railroad Company for legislation ratifying a certain indenture made between said companies.

Severally referred to the committee on Railroads.

Summer Street,
Worcester.

By Mr. Jefferson of Worcester, petition of Stephen Salisbury, jun., and others, for authority for the county com-

missioners of Worcester County to take a portion of the State land for widening Summer Street in Worcester. Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Steele of Gloucester, petition of Henry A. Burnham and others for the incorporation of a street railway company in Gloucester. Referred to the committee on Street Railways. Gloucester street railway.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of D. D. Kelly and 32 others for legislation exempting from taxation shipping engaged in foreign trade. Shipping in foreign trade.

By Mr. Fiske of Holliston, petition of E. F. Whiting and others of Holliston that said town may be authorized to exempt from taxation for a term of ten years the Holliston mills. Holliston mills.

Severally referred to the committee on Taxation.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, petition of W. H. Litchfield and others, that the name of the town of Hull may be changed to "Nantasket." Hull.

By Mr. Sheppard of Braintree, remonstrance of Eben Denton and others against annexation of any part of Cohasset to Hull. Cohasset and Hull.

Severally referred to the committee on Towns.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, petition of Mrs. E. H. Kingman and others for woman suffrage. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage. Woman suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, petition of M. J. McCafferty, that certain acts done by him as justice of the peace may be legalized. M. J. McCafferty.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, petition of Edward C. Cabot and others for a modification of the laws relating to the regulation and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston. Boston building laws.

By Mr. Morse of Newton, petition of John H. Stark and others for an act for the better protection of abandoned real estate in this Commonwealth. Abandoned real estate.

By Mr. Packard of Brockton, petition of the selectmen of Brockton that said town may be incorporated as a city. Brockton.

By Mr. Dever of Boston, petition of the mayor of Boston for a change in the law in regard to the levying and recording of assessments on real estate in said city. Boston — assessments.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, remonstrances of Samuel H. Gould and others, and S. B. Phinney and others, — sev- Joseph M. Day

erally against the removal of Joseph M. Day as judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Barnstable. Severally referred to the special committee on that subject.

Biennial
elections.

By Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, remonstrance of P. B. Miller and others; by Mr. Kelley of Harwich, remonstrance of John Noonan and others; by Mr. Gill of Stoneham, remonstrance of L. J. Gage and others; by Mr. Tinkham of Boston, remonstrance of James Perkins and others; by Mr. Warren of Waltham, remonstrance of John Q. Walker and others; by Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, remonstrance of J. H. Williams and others; and, by Mr. Brown of Boston, remonstrance of William Alexander and others, — severally against biennial elections.

Severally placed on file.

Committee Announced.

Joseph M. Day.

The Speaker announced the following as the special committee on the petition of F. Small and others relative to the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate for Barnstable County: —

Messrs. Cogswell of Salem, Bowerman of Pittsfield, Muzzey of Cambridge, McGeough of Boston, Andrew of Boston, Wardwell of Peabody, Hoar of Concord, Lodge of Nahant, and Reed of Taunton.

Orders.

Deer.

On motion of Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of so amending the game laws that it shall be unlawful to kill deer between the first day of December in any year and the first day of November following, and that it shall be unlawful to hunt or chase deer with dogs.

Oleomargarine.

On motion of Mr. Poor of Lawrence, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of changing the law relating to the sale of oleomargarine so that a portion of the fine for the sale of the same contrary to law shall go to the informer.

Deposits in
savings banks.

On motion of Mr. White of Taunton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of so changing the laws in relation to deposits made in savings banks, that the directors may, by their by-laws, fix the time when such deposits shall begin to draw interest.

On motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of a general law requiring the separate assessment of taxes levied for school purposes. School taxes.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education inquire into the necessity of additional legislation, in order to legalize instruction in calisthenics in the public schools. Calisthenics.

On motion of Mr. White of Taunton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of establishing boards of registration in cities. Registration in cities.

On motion of Mr. McGeough of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of changing the time for holding the annual municipal election in the city of Boston. Boston municipal election.

On motion of Mr. Donovan of Lawrence, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation for the better protection of the working classes from the abuse of the trustee process. Abuse of trustee process.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of instructing the Bureau of Statistics of Labor to ascertain the number of persons over twenty-one years of age who own neither real estate nor personal property above the value of a hundred dollars. Persons worth a hundred dollars.

On motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending chapter 197 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to better means of egress from manufacturing establishments, so that discretion may be given the inspector in any case that may come under his supervision. Egress from manufactories.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of further legislation relative to the expense of the commitment of insane paupers by the probate and other courts. Insane paupers.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of such legislation as will compel railroad companies to build highway bridges over much frequented streets across which such railroads pass. Bridges over railroads.

On motion of Mr. Brackett of Boston, —

Color-blindness.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation in reference to the employment by railroad companies, in certain responsible positions, of persons with defective sight, or those who are color-blind.

On motion of Mr. Gifford of Salem, —

Engineer and
watchmen at
State House.

Ordered, That the committee on the State House consider the expediency of further legislation regulating the compensation of the engineer and watchmen employed in the State House.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Wells of Cambridge, —

Revision of
judicial system.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of a revision and change in the judicial system of the Commonwealth, relating to civil business other than equity: providing, first, for removing concurrent jurisdiction, and giving to the different courts exclusive original jurisdiction within prescribed limits; second, that no action shall be reported or carried up, on exceptions or on appeal, to the Supreme Judicial Court, except probate appeals and certain special cases, unless the amount or value of the property in controversy, exclusive of costs, exceeds a certain sum, — to be fixed, — or the action involves the legality of a tax, toll, impost, or municipal fine; third, for appeals from the lower courts, and for the hearing and trial of cases on appeal at terms of court, and in such manner as not to mingle appealed cases, involving small sums, with cases originally brought in such appellate court, involving large sums; fourth, for a more uniform system throughout the Commonwealth relating to and in place of district, municipal, and police courts and trial-justices, and embracing the jurisdiction held by the same; fifth, for such changes in existing statutes as may be necessary to simplify, harmonize, and perfect the judicial system and practice throughout the Commonwealth, expedite business in the several courts, prevent delays, and reduce expenses of litigation in matters relating to civil business.

On motion of Mr. Warren of Waltham, —

Waltham,
Watertown,
and Weston.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of establishing a district court comprising the towns of Waltham, Watertown, and Weston.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of New Bedford, —

Firemen and
jury duty.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider

the expediency of the exemption of firemen from military or jury duty after a service of fifteen years in the fire department.

On motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing an assistant clerk for the Supreme Judicial Court and the superior court for the county of Bristol.

Clerk for courts
in Bristol
County.

On motion of Mr. Morse of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the laws relating to the trustee process, that receivers shall be amenable to said process as trustees, executors, administrators, and assignees in insolvency now are.

Trustee process.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the laws relating to the trustee process, that an answer by a trustee upon information and belief shall not be conclusive.

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On motion of Mr. Brackett of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation upon the recording in registries of deeds of orders of municipalities to take lands, and the filing therein of all orders laying assessments for public improvements.

Orders to take
lands.

On motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of modifying the law relating to the trustee process by substituting in the place thereof the process known as the garnishee process under attachments, or such other modification of the law as shall diminish the costs and fees under attachments.

Garnishee
process.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law a penalty for violating the provisions of the statutes fixing the cost of redeeming tax titles.

Tax titles.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan of Middleborough, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Chancery consider whether the public convenience does not require a change to be made in the times and places of holding the probate courts in and for the county of Plymouth.

Plymouth-
county probate
courts.

On motion of Mr. Wells of Cambridge, —
Probate courts. *Ordered*, That the committee on Probate and Chancery consider the expediency of legislation providing for such clerical assistance as may be necessary for the proper transaction of business in the courts of probate and insolvency in the several counties.

On motion of Mr. Carleton of Georgetown, —
Debts of insolvents. *Ordered*, That the committee on Probate and Chancery consider the expediency of so amending section 87, chapter 118 of the General Statutes, that, if a person has within one year next before filing a petition in insolvency contracted any debts with the intention not to pay the same, it shall be a bar to his discharge.

On motion of Mr. White of Taunton, —
Commissioner of insolvency. *Ordered*, That the committee on Probate and Chancery consider the expediency of repealing so much of the General Statutes as relates to the office of commissioner of insolvency.

On motion of Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, —
Widow's homestead. *Ordered*, That the committee on Probate and Chancery consider the expediency of so amending the law that a widow shall in all cases be entitled to a homestead exemption to an amount not exceeding eight hundred dollars, in her husband's real estate, in case such exemption does not defraud any of his creditors.

Indexes in registries of deeds. The order offered on Friday last, and laid over, relative to the registering of deeds and other instruments, also relating to the indexes kept by registers of deeds, was, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, postponed for consideration until to-morrow.

Introduced on Leave.

Travel on railroads. By Mr. Gifford of Salem, a Bill to further provide for the safety of travel on railroads. Read, referred to the committee on Railroads, and sent up for concurrence.

Costs. By Mr. Tufts of Boston, a Bill relating to costs in civil cases. Read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the Senate.

State stock in New-York and New-England Railroad. *Ordered*, In concurrence, that the committee on Expenditures inquire into the expediency of the sale of the stock of the New-York and New-England Railroad Company owned by the Commonwealth.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of amending section 12 of chapter 315 of the Acts of the year 1873, so that the amount credited to any savings bank on account of shares in banks and banking associations, which on the first day of May are the absolute property of said bank, shall not exceed in amount the sum actually paid into the treasury of the Commonwealth on the amount of such deposits so invested.

Bank shares held by savings banks.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Election Laws consider what change is necessary in the laws concerning registration of voters in the city of Boston.

Registration in Boston.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Expenditures consider the expediency of a change in the salaries provided by law for the clerks of the courts for the counties of Hampshire and Franklin.

Clerks of courts in Hampshire and Franklin.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, no legislation necessary, on the report of the receivers of the Lancaster Savings Bank, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence under a suspension of the rule.

Lancaster Savings Bank.

A Bill to amend chapter 245 of the Acts of the year 1880, concerning the filing of location by the Cape-Cod Canal Company, reported on a petition, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Cape-Cod Canal Company.

The following papers were referred in concurrence:—

Message of his Excellency the Governor, transmitting a concurrent resolution of the Legislature of South Carolina concerning the unveiling of the monument commemorative of the battle of Cowpens. To the committee on Federal Relations.

Cowpens.

Petitions of Charles A. Litchfield and others of South Scituate, William H. Litchfield and others of Scituate, and Albert T. Sprague and others of Marshfield,—severally for legislation to enable the inhabitants of said towns to take fish in North River. Severally to the committee on the Fisheries.

North River.

Petition of the Hamilton Manufacturing Company for authority to increase its capital stock. To the committee on Manufactures.

Hamilton Manufacturing Company.

Reports of Committees.

Middlesex
Agricultural
Society

By Mr. Hayden of Woburn, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the Middlesex Agricultural Society ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Nantucket
Agricultural
Society.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the Nantucket Agricultural Society ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Recognizances
for debts.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to repeal chapter 152 of the General Statutes, concerning recognizances for debts, ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Mortgages.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the Bill in relation to the foreclosure and redemption of mortgages was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, was, on further motion of Mr. Cogswell, recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders of the Day.

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day.

The Bill in addition to "An Act to incorporate the Central Wharf and Wet Dock Corporation" was further considered. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge was adopted, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Reports:

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to amending the "Act incorporating the trustees of the City Hospital of the city of Boston;"

On an order relative to amending the "Act incorporating the trustees of the Boston Public Library;" and

On an order relative to the transfer of the trial of capital crimes from the supreme judicial to the superior court; Were severally accepted.

Reports of the committee on Claims, leave to withdraw:

On the petition of the selectmen of Sandwich for relief from expense incurred to protect the citizens of Sandwich from the Italian laborers on Cape-Cod Canal; and

On the petition of the selectmen of Sandwich for relief for the support of Charles F. Freeman at the Danvers hospital;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry M. Whitney and others for incorporation as the Boston Lighterage Company, was accepted in concurrence.

Bills:

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses;

In further addition to "An Act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year;" and

To amend chapter 79 of the Acts of the year 1879, relating to the compensation of employes of the Secretary's department, and for other purposes; and

Resolves:

To confirm the acts done by Nathan Morse as a justice of the peace;

In favor of Ebenezer Gay; and

In favor of the Boston Beef-Packing Company;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the American Loan and Trust Company was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston, postponed for further consideration until next Wednesday.

The Bill (on leave) for the compensation of persons wrongfully arrested was read a second time, and, after debate, was rejected.

Bills:

Authorizing the town of Swampscott to pay a certain claim to John P. Palmer;

In relation to harbor-masters;

To incorporate the Massachusetts Fish Exchange; and

To authorize the Peabody and Victoria Mills to open certain streets in Newburyport for the purpose of laying gas-pipes; and

Resolves:

In favor of John McGrath;

Relating to certain repairs at the State Prison at Concord; and

To provide for the re-issue of testimonials to soldiers and sailors;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Resolutions on the Death of a Member.

Resolutions
relative to the
late George M.
Newton of
Warren.

Mr. Allen of Lynn, from the committee appointed to attend the funeral of George M. Newton of Warren, representative of the Twelfth Worcester District, and to prepare and submit resolutions of respect in honor of deceased, reported that the committee had attended to that duty, and presented the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted by a rising vote, after remarks by Mr. Allen:—

Resolutions on the Death of George M. Newton of Warren.

Resolved, That the House of Representatives has learned with heartfelt sorrow of the death of George M. Newton, who represented the Twelfth Worcester Representative District,—a man of broad and practical culture; a merchant of sound judgment, untiring energy, and strict probity; a dignified Christian gentleman, whose early death has lost to this House an able and valuable member, whose influence promised to be most beneficial in shaping the legislation of this Commonwealth.

Resolved, That we express our affectionate esteem and respect for this quiet, thoughtful, unostentatious man; this earnest and faithful worker in the cause of Christianity, who was ever ready, with heart and purse, to promote every good and worthy object. A devoted husband, his loss is a severe blow to his wife. Identified with the growth and prosperity of the district in which he resided, and beloved by its people, his death has left a gap in the community which it will be hard to fill.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the wife of our late associate, to whom we extend our deep sympathy in her great affliction.

At four o'clock adjourned.

TUESDAY, Feb. 1, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Disabled Soldiers' Employment Bureau.

A message was received from his Excellency the Governor, transmitting the annual reports of the treasurer and superintendent of the Massachusetts Employment Bureau for Disabled Soldiers. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence.

Disabled
Soldiers'
Employment
Bureau.*Petitions Presented.*

By Mr. Fellows of Ipswich, petition of Daniel A. Warner and others; by Mr. Parratt of West Brookfield, petition of S. N. White and others; and, by Mr. Gilman of Andover, petition of M. C. Andrews and others,—severally for an experiment station at the Agricultural College.

Experiment
station.

By Mr. Allen of Lowell, petition of Charles A. Stott and others for a law regulating the sale of trees, shrubs, and vines.

Sale of trees,
etc.

By Mr. Jenks of Franklin, petition of E. L. Metcalf and others for an act to encourage the cultivation of the sugar-beet.

Sugar-beets.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Thayer of North Adams, petition of John M. Galvin for compensation for work done on the Hoosac Tunnel. Referred to the committee on Claims.

John M. Galvin.

By Mr. Shepard of Boston, petition of J. J. Kiley and others, and George D. Ricker and 50 others,—severally for such legislation as will require the school committee of the city of Boston to confine its expenditures within the appropriations made therefor by the city council.

Boston school
committee.

By Mr. Poor of Lawrence, petition of B. B. Russell and others; and, by Mr. Johnson of Everett, petition of Darius Hadley and others, citizens and teachers of Everett,—severally for a law allowing school committees to elect teachers for a term of years, or during good behavior.

Teachers.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Avery of Plymouth, petition of N. B. Watson and others for a law prohibiting the taking of gravel from Duxbury beach.

Duxbury beach.

- Brandt Island.** By Mr. Hadley of Marion, petition of John S. Loomis and others for authority to construct and maintain a bridge from Brandt Island, in Mattapoisett, to the mainland.
Severally referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.
- Liquors.** By Mr. Almy of Salem, petition of Mary A. L. Wild and others for an amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the manufacture and sale of liquor.
- Liquor law.** By Mr. Almy of Salem, petitions of Jennie S. Eldridge and others, Mrs. H. G. Safford and others; and, by Mr. Albee of Cambridge, petition of Eliza W. Cannon and others,—severally in aid of petition of Harriet E. Clark and others relative to the liquor law.
- Sale of liquors on the Lord's Day.** By Mr. Albee of Cambridge, petition of S. A. Coffin for legislation prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors on the Lord's Day.
Severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.
- Ice.** By Mr. Bradford of Boston, petition of J. F. Pope and others for a law giving to persons engaged in cutting and storing ice greater rights of flowage. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.
- John Donnelly.** By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of John Donnelly for State aid.
- Bounties.** By Mr. Holman of Leicester, petition of Charles W. Wood and others for a law giving to every soldier from the Commonwealth, who served for two years or more, such sum as will make his State bounty three hundred and twenty-five dollars.
- Catherine Cooney.** By Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, petition of Catherine Cooney for State aid.
Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.
- Baptist Society in Haverhill.** By Mr. Taylor of Haverhill, petition of the Baptist Society in Haverhill for authority to sell and convey its real estate. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.
- Bridgewater Normal-school sewage.** By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, petitions of the selectmen of Bridgewater, and of the selectmen of East Bridgewater,—severally for a law prohibiting the discharge of sewage from the Bridgewater Normal School into Town River.
- Cambridge—Shawsheen River.** By Mr. Rand of Medford, petition of the mayor of Cambridge, that said city may take the water of Shaw-sheen River.

By the same gentleman, petition of R. T. Bartlett and others for incorporation as a water-supply company in the town of Ayer.

Ayer Water Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Taylor of Haverhill, petition of Eben Mitchell for legislation to enable the Groveland Street Railway Company to establish a ferry across the Merrimack River, between the city of Haverhill and the town of Groveland. Referred to the committee on Street Railways.

Groveland Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Butler of Somerville, petition of Thomas D. Blake and others in aid of the petition for the proposed change of line of the Massachusetts Central Railroad. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Massachusetts Central Railroad.

By Mr. Coffin of Newburyport, petition of John J. Currier and 20 others for legislation exempting from taxation shipping engaged in foreign trade. Referred to the committee on Taxation.

Foreign shipping.

By Mr. Canterbury of Weymouth, remonstrance of T. H. Humphrey and others; and, by Mr. Mackintosh of Needham, remonstrance of A. B. Parker and others, — severally against annexation of a part of Cohasset to Hull.

Cohasset and Hull.

Severally referred to the committee on Towns.

By Mr. Look of Leominster, petition of John Joslin and 20 others; by Mr. Phillips of Springfield, petition of Jefferson Church and others; and, by Mr. Cable of Hyde Park, petition of Theodore D. Weld and others, — severally for woman suffrage.

Woman suffrage.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, remonstrance of P. S. Crowell and others against the removal of Judge Joseph M. Day. Referred to the special committee on that subject.

Joseph M. Day.

By Mr. Davis of Somerville, petition of Nathaniel B. Clapp and others for legislation making railroad corporations and others responsible for damages caused by the use of barbed wire fencing.

Barbed wire fencing.

By Mr. Morse of Newton, petition of the city of Newton for a revision of its charter.

Newton.

By Mr. Prouty of Spencer, petition of E. C. Sawyer and others relative to the establishing of a district court to be known as the Western Worcester District Court.

Western Worcester District Court.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Middlesex
county com-
missioners.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, petition of the county commissioners of Middlesex County for increase of salary. Referred to the committee on County Estimates.

Biennial
elections.

By Mr. Smith of Boston, remonstrance of John P. Howe and others; by Mr. Brackett of Boston, remonstrance of William H. Burke and others; and, by Mr. Sanborn of Newton, remonstrance of Charles Wingate and others,—severally against biennial elections.

Severally placed on file.

Introduced on Leave.

Treasurer.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, a Resolve authorizing the treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue. Read once, and, under a suspension of the rule requiring its reference to a committee, ordered to a second reading.

Police and
district courts.

By Mr. Walker of Worcester, a Bill (on leave) relating to police and district courts. Read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

Game.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Boston,—

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of further legislation to insure the protection of game within this Commonwealth.

Poultry and
game.

On motion of Mr. Hemphill of Holyoke,—

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of legislation to protect poultry and game by offering a bounty upon foxes, skunks, and any other animals thought advisable.

Game.

On motion of Mr. Robbins of Pittsfield,—

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of such legislation as shall better enable the owners of land to preserve game thereon.

Dairy stock.

On motion of the same gentleman,—

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of such legislation as shall enable the agricultural societies of the State to pay premiums for dairy stock without discrimination.

Savings-bank
investments.

On motion of Mr. Parmenter of Amherst,—

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of allowing savings banks to invest their funds in railroad bonds not secured by mort-

gage, when the stock of such roads is at par, or above, and paying regular dividends.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending section 17 of chapter 7 of the General Statutes, that the returns of votes for county commissioners may be made within ten days, instead of seven days, in order that the time for the returns of votes for all officers may be uniform.

Returns of notes
for county
commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Stevens of Clinton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider the expediency of amending chapter 197 of the Acts of the year 1879, establishing the salaries of the adjutant-general and the employés in the military department.

Adjutant-
general.

On motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, —

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider the expediency of increasing the compensation of the firemen at the State House, and of the janitor and watchmen at No. 38 Pemberton Square.

Firemen,
janitor, and
watchmen.

On motion of Mr. Vinal of Somerville, —

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider whether the salaries of the clerks in the office of the secretary of the Commonwealth are adequate to the services rendered by them, and, if found insufficient, report a bill for their increase.

Clerks in secre-
tary's office.

On motion of Mr. Wales of Randolph, —

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider the expediency of providing that the associate medical examiner for Suffolk County be paid by a fixed salary, instead of by fees.

Medical examin-
er — Suffolk.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider whether the salaries of the extra clerks in the office of the State auditor are adequate to the services rendered by them, and, if found insufficient, report a bill for their increase.

Clerks in
auditor's office.

On motion of Mr. Hill of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad consider the expediency of relieving the Governor and Council of the Commonwealth of the management of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel; of separating this management permanently from the finances of the State; and of

Hoosac Tunnel.

promoting and securing the proper development of the commercial capabilities of the said road and tunnel, either by the creation of a consolidated corporate line, in which the Commonwealth shall be a part owner to the extent of the value of the said road and tunnel (whatever this may be decided to be), to be made up of the connecting lines now existing or hereafter to be constructed between Boston and the Hudson River or Lake Ontario, or by some other plan which the committee may devise.

On motion of Mr. Clark of Worcester, —

Salaries by life-insurance companies.

Ordered, That the insurance commissioner procure for the information of this Legislature a full and detailed statement of the salaries and emoluments paid by the several life-insurance companies incorporated by other States, but doing business in this State, to their officers at the present time, and as compared with such salaries and emoluments paid in the year 1873.

On motion of Mr. Richardson of Rockport, —

Ten-hour law.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending the ten-hour law so that men will come within its provisions.

On motion of Mr. Hemphill of Holyoke, —

Sales of liquor on election days.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of legislation to prohibit the sale of liquor on all days of election, from sunrise to sunset.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge, —

Liquor law.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider what amendments to the several laws in relation to the sale of intoxicating liquors are necessary, in order to make them more effective in the control of the traffic, or for the reduction of intemperance.

On motion of Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, —

Pawnbrokers.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider whether the laws in relation to pawnbrokers ought not to be amended by requiring each pawnbroker to state, on a printed ticket, the length of time he is required to keep the goods, and the legal rate of interest he is allowed to charge, and the giving of a reasonable bond for the better protection of those who may be so unfortunate as to require his assistance.

On motion of Mr. Canterbury of Weymouth, —

Commissioner of State aid.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of so amending section 6, chapter 252

of the Acts of the year 1879, as to increase the compensation of the commissioner of State aid referred to in said section.

On motion of Mr. Galvin of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider whether any injustice accrues to soldiers and sailors through any defect in the present laws giving military settlement. Military settlement.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of furnishing the free public libraries of the cities and towns of the Commonwealth with one copy of the journal of the House, one copy of the journal of the Senate, and one copy of the legislative manual, annually. Legislative journals and manual.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to the printing and distribution of public documents. Public documents.

On motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of amending chapter 14 of the General Statutes so that the returns of criminal cases made by clerks of courts and trial-justices shall be made to the commissioners on prisons, instead of the Secretary of the Commonwealth; an abstract of said returns to be prepared and printed in connection with the annual reports of said commissioners. Returns of criminal cases.

On motion of Mr. Brackett of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of providing by law that no elevated railroad shall be constructed under the provisions of the General Railroad Act, or otherwise, without special authority from the Legislature. Elevated railroads.

On motion of Mr. Phillips of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider whether any legislation is expedient, relative to the election of State directors of the Boston and Albany Railroad. State directors.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation for the better protection of passengers on railway trains in cases of accidents. Accidents on railroads.

On motion of Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the Railroad leases.

expediency of legislation limiting the time one railroad corporation can lease to another.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Passenger fares. *Ordered*, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation regulating the passenger fares on railroads in this Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston, —

Crossing of tidal waters by railroads. *Ordered*, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending section 85 of chapter 372 of the Acts of the year 1874, in respect of its provisions concerning the crossing of navigable or tidal waters.

On motion of Mr. Morse of Newton, —

Mining companies. *Ordered*, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending section 8 of chapter 283 of the Acts of the year 1865, relative to returns and taxation of mining companies.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Allen of Lynn, —

Lynn police court. *Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the judge and clerk of the Lynn police court.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of North Adams, —

Lord's Day. *Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending or repealing sections 2 and 4 of chapter 84 of the General Statutes, respecting the observance of the Lord's Day.

On motion of Mr. Gargan of Boston, —

Pigeon shooting. *Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of repealing or amending chapter 187 of the Acts of the year 1879, entitled "An Act to suppress pigeon shooting and other sports."

On motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston, —

Cases of household furniture. *Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law that persons engaged in the business of leasing household furniture shall in all cases furnish to the lessee a duplicate of the lease; and, also, in what other ways the rights of such lessees may be more perfectly protected.

On motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston, —

Probation officer of Boston. *Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 198 of the Acts of the year 1878, so that the officer appointed under said act by the mayor and aldermen of Boston to attend criminal

courts, and recommend for probation such as may be reformed, shall hold office by the same tenure as officers appointed for a similar duty in other cities and towns, and shall make monthly statements of his doings to the commissioners on prisons.

On motion of Mr. E. R. Webster of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of making section 37 of chapter 381 of the Acts of the year 1871, relative to fraudulently evading payment of fares on railroads, a general law to protect all carriers of passengers for hire.

Evasion of payment of fare.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the law concerning the settlement of paupers, as to provide that an alien shall not acquire a settlement by reason of the settlement of his parents.

Settlement of aliens.

On motion of Mr. Carroll of Marblehead, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the laws in relation to maintaining the insane, so that indigent insane persons shall be supported at State expense.

Indigent insane.

On motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that for minor offences a summons may be issued to the person accused, instead of a warrant for arrest, when there is no reason to suppose that he will evade.

Summonses.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of authorizing boards of aldermen, selectmen, overseers of the poor, and license commissioners, to require witnesses who testify before them, or before committees appointed by them, to give their testimony under oath.

Witnesses before boards of selectmen, etc.

On motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending sections 163 and 164 of chapter 372 of the Acts of the year 1874, or otherwise legislating, so that penalties for losses of life by negligence of railroad corporations or their servants may be recovered in actions of tort.

Loss of life on railroads.

- Credibility of witnesses.** On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 12 of chapter 131 of the General Statutes, concerning the credibility of witnesses, by striking out the final clause.
- Notaries and banks.** On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the law that no notary-public holding any official relation to a bank shall perform any notarial act.
- Superior court.** On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of reducing the number of judges of the superior court of the Commonwealth.
- Entry fees.** On motion of Mr. Allen of Lynn, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 226 of the Acts of the year 1879, as to dispense with the payment of a fee at the entry of actions in the district and police courts.
- Estates of deceased insolvents.** On motion of Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, —
Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Chancery consider whether any further legislation is necessary in respect to the distribution of the estates of persons deceased insolvent.
- Inventories of estates.** On motion of Mr. Wells of Cambridge, —
Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Chancery consider the expediency of further legislation relative to the taking of inventories of estates of deceased persons in certain cases.
- Sale of real estate to pay debts of estates.** On motion of the same gentleman, —
Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Chancery consider the expediency of further legislation relating to the sale of real estate to pay debts of persons deceased.
- Husband and wife.** On motion of Mr. Porter of Rowe, —
Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Chancery consider the expediency of amending chapter 211 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to the descent of real estate of husband and wife dying intestate and without issue.
- Probate of wills.** On motion of Mr. Wales of Randolph, —
Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Chancery consider the expediency of requiring by law personal notice

to all parties in interest upon the offering of any will for probate.

On motion of Mr. Parratt of West Brookfield, —

Ordered, That the Speaker issue a precept giving notice of the vacancy occasioned by the death of George M. Newton, a member of this House from the Twelfth Worcester Representative District, and appointing a time for an election to fill the same.

Twelfth
Worcester
District.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That a committee of five be appointed to devise and suggest measures for expediting the business of the House.

Expediting
business.

On motion of Mr. Taylor of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That Mr. Gage of Haverhill, on account of ill health, have leave of absence for such time as he may deem necessary.

Mr. Gage of
Haverhill.

The order laid over, relative to registering deeds and other instruments, and postponed for consideration until to-day, was considered. Mr. Cogswell moved to amend by substituting therefor the following, which was adopted: —

Indexes in regis-
tries of deeds.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation for enforcing the provisions of sections 97, 98, and 103, of chapter 17 of the General Statutes, concerning the registering of deeds and other instruments, and chapter 162 of the Acts of the year 1874, concerning records of town proprietaries; also the expediency of amending the law relating to indexes to be kept by registers of deeds, and compelling the perfecting of indexes in any registry where the same are now imperfect.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending chapter 58 of the General Statutes so as to provide for fuller returns from insurance companies.

Insurance
returns.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education consider the expediency of changing the existing laws so that school committees in cities shall be elected annually.

School
committees.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 174 of the Acts of 1878 by striking out these words: "Provided, that in those cities and towns where

Burial permits.

local boards of health have been established the certificate of the cause of death shall be approved by such board before a permit to bury is given by the registrar or clerk."

Purity of ponds. *Ordered*, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of repealing or modifying chapter 185 of the Acts of 1880, relative to the purity of the ponds of the Commonwealth.

Voting-lists. *Ordered*, in concurrence, that the joint special committee on the Election Laws consider the expediency of extending to all the cities in the Commonwealth, except Boston, the provisions of chapter 193 of the Acts of 1877, regulating the preparation and revision of the voting-lists in the city of Worcester, or for enacting a substitute therefor.

Charles S. Bolton. The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles S. Bolton for arrears of money due him from the State for services rendered in the late war, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

State workhouse. The petition of the trustees of the State Workhouse at Bridgewater for an appropriation to complete the arrangements for thorough protection against fire at the above-named institution was referred in concurrence to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Cohasset and Hull. The remonstrance of J. Walter Bradley and others of Milton against the annexation of a part of the town of Cohasset to the town of Hull was referred in concurrence to the committee on Towns.

Reports of Committees.

Mary Wigglesworth. By Mr. Coney of Springfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Mary Wigglesworth for State aid.

Jane Grady. By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Jane Grady for State aid.

Milk. By Mr. Gilman of Andover, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing that the names of venders of milk shall be exhibited on their vehicles in letters at least two inches in length.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill amending the charter of the city of Boston by repealing the provision therein for general meetings of the legal voters ought not to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Meetings of
voters in
Boston.

By Mr. Bail of Boston, from the committee on Prisons, on an order, a Resolve providing for the construction of a double-tenement dwelling-house at the State Prison at Concord.

Tenement house
at State Prison.

By Mr. Stevens of Clinton, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of John William Robert Sawin.

J. W. R. Sawin.

Severally read, and referred to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Rand of Medford, from the committee on Public Health, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Milford Water Company.

Milford Water
Company.

By Mr. Wilson of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Lexington Water Company.

Lexington Wa-
ter Company.

By Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Farmer and Gardner Manufacturing Company.

Farmer and
Gardner
Company.

By Mr. Foster of Tewksbury, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for expenses of the various charitable and reformatory institutions, and for other purposes.

Appropriation
bill.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

Bills:

To repeal chapter 152 of the General Statutes, concerning recognizances for debts; and

To amend chapter 245 of the Acts of the year 1880, concerning the filing of location by the Cape-Cod Canal Company; and

Resolves:

In favor of the Middlesex Agricultural Society; and

In favor of the Nantucket Agricultural Society;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses;

In further addition to "An Act making appropriations

Orders of the
day.

for the maintenance of the government during the present year;" and

To amend chapter 79 of the Acts of the year 1879, relating to the compensation of employes of the Secretary's department, and for other purposes; and

Resolves:

In favor of Ebenezer Gay; and

In favor of the Boston Beef-Packing Company;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve to confirm the acts done by Nathan Morse as a justice of the peace was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

At five minutes past three o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 2, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Massachusetts
Milk Association.

By Mr. Root of Barre, petition of William A. Warner and others for incorporation as the Massachusetts Milk Association.

Quail.

By Mr. Farrar of Abington, petition of A. A. Healey and others for the extension of time within which quail may be taken.

Agricultural
bounties.

By Mr. Root of Barre, petition of John E. Russell, secretary of the Board of Agriculture, for amendment of the laws relative to bounties to agricultural societies.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Massachusetts
Loan and Trust
Company.
New-Year's
Day.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, petition of the Massachusetts Loan and Trust Company for amendment of its charter.

By Mr. Morse of Newton, petition of Brewster, Bassett, & Company, and 42 other banks and banking houses of Boston, that New-Year's Day be made a legal holiday.

Severally referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Florida.

By Mr. Rice of Florida, petition of the selectmen and overseers of the town of Florida for reimbursement for certain expenses for relieving poor persons, incurred in

consequence of the construction of the Hoosac Tunnel through said town.

By Mr. Porter of Rowe, petition of the overseers of the poor of the town of Rowe for reimbursement of money paid out for the support of a State pauper. Rowe.

By Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, petition of Amaziah Mayo for recompense of sums expended by him in building the boarding-house at the State Normal School at Westfield. A. Mayo.

Severally referred to the committee on Claims.

By Mr. Clarke of New Bedford, petition of Lincoln F. Brigham of Salem for an act to incorporate the trustees of the Swain School. Referred to the committee on Education. Swain School.

By Mr. Galvin of Boston, petition of Isaac P. Clarke and others, that Ward 22 of the city of Boston may have two representatives in the city council. Referred to the committee on Election Laws. Ward 22,
Boston.

By Mr. Avery of Plymouth, petition of John Morissey, county treasurer of Plymouth County, for increase of salary. Treasurer,
Plymouth
County.

By Mr. Forbes of Westborough, petition of Dexter Newton, justice of the first district court of Eastern Worcester, for increase of salary. First district
court of Eastern
Worcester.

Severally referred to the committee on Expenditures.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of Priscilla Freeman for right to fish in Tisbury Great Pond. Referred to the committee on the Fisheries. Priscilla
Freeman.

By Mr. Coffin of Newburyport, remonstrance of O. D. Pillsbury and others; by Mr. Scott of Lawrence, remonstrance of George S. Shute and others of Exeter, N.H.; E. J. Randall and others of Great Falls, N.H.; by Mr. Morrison of Methuen, remonstrance of Amos Paul and others of South Newmarket, Z. S. Wallingford and others; by Mr. Taylor of Haverhill, remonstrance of J. P. Gilman and others, of William H. Haskell and others; by Mr. Goulding of Lowell, remonstrance of Alfred Gilman and others; by Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, remonstrance of Franklin Nourse and 85 others; by Mr. Poor of Lawrence, remonstrance of John R. Rollins and others; and, by Mr. Donovan of Lawrence, remonstrance of A. H. Littlefield and others, — severally against a draw in the Boston and Maine Railroad bridge at Haverhill. Boston and
Maine Railroad
bridge at
Haverhill.

Severally referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Insurance
policies.

By Mr. Carroll of Marblehead, petition of A. C. Orne that insurance policies be based on the vital statistics in the Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Insurance.

Co-operative
associations.

By Mr. Beckford of Lynn, petition of the Equitable Co-operative Saving-Fund and Loan Association of Lynn for amendment of the law relating to such associations.

Ibid.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of Joseph S. Ropes and others for an act changing the name of the Homestead Co-operative Saving-Fund and Loan Association, and for amendment to chapter 224 of the Acts of 1877, in relation to such associations.

Ibid.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of Robert Treat Paine, jun., and others for change of name of the Workingmen's Co-operative Saving-Fund and Loan Association, and for amendments to chapter 224 of the Acts of the year 1877, in relation to such associations.

Egress from
manufactories.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, petition of the mayor of Boston for such amendment to chapter 197 of the Acts of 1880, relative to means of egress from manufacturing establishments, that it will not apply to the city of Boston.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

East Haven
Company.

By Mr. Shepard of Boston, petition of James Alexander for an act making him and others an incorporation under the name of the East Haven Company to purchase and improve uplands and flats in East Boston.

Newton and
Watertown Gas
Company.

By Mr. Morse of Newton, petition of the Newton and Watertown Gas-Light Company for leave to lay pipes in Weston and Needham, and to increase its capital stock.

H. M. Whitney.

By Mr. Thomas of Brookline, petition of Henry M. Whitney and others for incorporation for the purpose of purchasing, holding, and leasing real estate.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Adelaide E.
Palmer.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, petition of Adelaide E. Palmer for State aid.

State muster-
field.

By Mr. Fuller of Framingham, petition of the selectmen of Framingham for an increase in the fee for the license of vehicles to convey persons to and from the State muster-field.

George A. Flint.

By Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge, petition of John I. Baker for State aid for the widow and minor children of George A. Flint, late of the Fiftieth Regiment Massachusetts Volunteers.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Peck of Wilbraham, petition of William R. Sessions and others for change in the name of the Congregational Society of the South Parish of Wilbraham.

Congregational
Society of South
Parish, Wilbra-
ham.

By Mr. Cable of Hyde Park, petition of G. Howe Davis and others to change the name of the Clarendon Hills Evangelical Society to Clarendon Hills Congregational Society of Hyde Park.

Clarendon Hills
Evangelical
Society.

By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, petition of Sandwich District Camp-Meeting Association for an act legalizing their proceedings.

Sandwich Dis-
trict Camp-
Meeting.

Severally referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

By Mr. Fuller of Framingham, petition of the town of Framingham for authority to take water from Farm Pond and Sudbury River.

Framingham
water.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, remonstrance of A. S. Hayward and 380 others against the proposed bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy in this Commonwealth.

Pharmacy.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, petition of the mayor of Boston for such legislation as will prevent waste in the use of water in said city.

Boston water.

By Mr. Jefferson of Worcester, petition of the city of Worcester for authority to take an additional supply of water from Tatnic Brook and Kettle Brook.

Worcester
water.

By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, petition of Amos Merrill, chairman of the water committee of Peabody, for authority to take an additional water-supply.

Peabody water.

By Mr. Whitney of Millbury, petition of C. D. Morse and others for an act to prevent the flow of sewage into the Blackstone River.

Sewage in
Blackstone
River.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, petition of the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary for an appropriation of five thousand dollars, in addition to the sum annually voted that institution.

Massachusetts
Eye and Ear
Infirmary.

By Mr. Canterbury of Weymouth, petition of Everett C. Burpee that all blind children of this State, of proper age and capacity, may be admitted to the Perkins Institute for the Blind.

Perkins
Institute.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Stevens of Clinton, petition of the Lancaster Railroad Company for extension of time for locating and constructing its road. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Lancaster Rail-
road Company.

Merrimack-
river bridges.

By Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, petition of J. Frank Tilton and others, citizens of Newburyport, that draws of certain bridges over the Merrimack River may be widened. Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Elevated
railways.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of W. R. Clark and others for incorporation as the Charlestown and Milton Railway Company.

By the same gentleman, petition of W. R. Clark and others for incorporation as the Boston and Dorchester Railroad Company.

By the same gentleman, petition of W. R. Clark and others for incorporation as the Cambridge and South Boston Railroad Company.

By the same gentleman, petition of W. R. Clapp and others for incorporation as the Boston and Brookline Railroad Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Street Railways.

Needham.

By Mr. Mackintosh of Needham, remonstrance of Henry C. Kimball and others against the division of the town of Needham. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Divorce.

By Mr. Shepard of Boston, petition of the Boston Association of Ministers and others; by Mr. Thayer of North Adams, petition of the faculty of Williams College; and, by Mr. Allen of Lowell, petitions of the Mendon Association of Congregational Ministers, and the Andover Association of Congregational Ministers,—severally for such legislation as will mitigate the evils of divorce.

Severally referred to the joint special committee on Probate and Chancery.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Joanna Brooker
fund—Boston.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, petition of the mayor of Boston for an act authorizing the board of aldermen of said city to have transferred to the overseers of the poor the fund willed by Mrs. Joanna Brooker to the selectmen of Boston.

M. H. Pease.

By Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge, petition of M. H. Pease, justice of the police court in Lee, for increase of salary.

William Street,
New Bedford.

By Mr. Clarke of New Bedford, petition of the mayor and aldermen of New Bedford for an act to legalize certain of their doings, relative to altering and widening William Street.

Vessels attached
on mesne pro-
cess.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of J. M. Aguayo and others for an act providing that actions in which vessels are attached on mesne process may be tried without delay.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of Andrew Abbott for a release of the Commonwealth's title to certain real estate in Reading. A. Abbott.

By Mr. McManus of Natick, petition of G. C. Hathaway and others, that the town of Natick may be set off from the jurisdiction of the first district court of Southern Middlesex. Natick.

By Mr. Beckford of Lynn, petition of J. H. Richards and others of Lynn for amendment of the charter of said city, relative to the number of the common council. Lynn charter.

By Mr. Brown of Boston, petition of Henry Saltonstall, treasurer of the Pacific Mills, and others in aid of the Senate Bill relative to the transfer of stock and bonds by trustees, and for a hearing thereon. Transfer of stock, etc.

By Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, petition of Charles W. Hall, that his acts as a justice of the peace may be legalized. Charles W. Hall.

By Mr. Clark of Worcester, petition of the mayor of Worcester, that said city may be authorized to purchase certain land for a police station, and for other purposes. Worcester.

By Mr. Taylor of Haverhill, petition of the mayor of Haverhill for amendment of chapter 77 of the Acts of the year 1880, authorizing said city to establish a hospital. Haverhill hospital.

By Mr. Morse of Newton, petition of the city of Newton for legislation to authorize said city to accept gifts of land for public parks, and to take land for the same. Newton parks.

By Mr. Shepard of Boston, petition of Joshua Emmons and others for legislation allowing keepers of personal property, when attached, compensation for night service. Keepers.

By Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge, petition of the Berkshire Water Company for authority to issue bonds. Berkshire Water Company.

By Mr. Taylor of Haverhill, petition of the mayor of Haverhill, that said city may have authority to take, for certain public use, a portion of a public landing on Water Street in said city. Haverhill.

By Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, remonstrance of Washburn Weston and others of Winthrop against said town being joined to the judicial district of the East Boston court. Winthrop.

By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, petition of the trustees of the Peabody Institute for an act of incorporation. Peabody Institute.

By Mr. Warren of Waltham, petition of J. A. Cheney and others for a law protecting those who let horses, carriages, or teams. Livery-stable keepers.

By Mr. Carroll of Marblehead, petition of D. R. Hathaway and others, that the town of Marblehead may take land for a public park. Marblehead park.

By Mr. Robbins of Pittsfield, petition of C. H. Bond Washington.

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Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Biennial
elections.

By Mr. Cronin of Boston, remonstrance of Moses Hull and others; by Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, remonstrance of Joseph McGuire and others; by Mr. Sullivan of Middleborough, remonstrance of Nathaniel S. Cushing and 58 others; and, by Mr. Stevens of Clinton, remonstrance of L. H. Abbott and others,—severally against biennial elections.

Severally placed on file.

Joseph M. Day.

By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, remonstrance of Luther Hall and others against the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate for Barnstable County. Referred to the special committee on that subject.

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By Mr. Look of Leominster, a Bill for the suppression of common nuisances.

Liquor law.

By Mr. Baker of Beverly, a Bill in relation to premises used for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Civil damages.

By Mr. Avery of Plymouth, a Bill relating to the payment of civil damages by venders of intoxicating liquors.

Severally read, and referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

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Executive officers.

By Mr. Thayer of North Adams, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the address of his Excellency the Governor as relates to executive officers.

Telegraphing.

By Mr. Livermore of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that the Resolution instructing the Massachusetts senators and requesting the Massachusetts representatives in Congress to favor legislation giving Congress exclusive control of telegraphing in this country ought not to pass.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question in the last-named case being on the rejection of the resolution.

Land damages.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relative to the assessment of damages for lands taken for public uses ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

M. J. McCafferty.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to confirm certain acts done by Matthew J. McCafferty as a justice of the peace.

Supreme Council of Home Circle.

By Mr. Warren of Waltham, from the committee on Insurance, on a petition, a Bill to amend the certificate of incorporation of the Supreme Council of the Home Circle.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

*Papers from the Senate.***Election sermon.**

A report of a special committee on the part of the Senate, relative to printing fifteen hundred copies of the election sermon, was referred in concurrence to the committee on Printing.

Suits by executors, etc.

A Bill relating to suits brought by and against executors, administrators, guardians, trustees, assignees, or corporations, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Locations of railroad companies.

A Bill to amend chapter 872 of the Acts of 1874, relating to the locations by railroad companies in the city of Boston, and the recovery of compensation therefor, introduced on leave in the Senate, was read, and referred in concurrence to the committee on Railroads.

Returns by fish commissioners.

A Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 104 of the Acts of the year 1876, relating to certain returns to the commissioners on inland fisheries, introduced on leave in the Senate, was read, and referred in concurrence to the committee on the Fisheries.

A Bill relating to the taxation of deposits in savings banks, introduced on leave in the Senate, was read, and referred in concurrence to the committee on Taxation. Taxation of savings-banks deposits.

A House order directing the committee on Banks and Banking to consider the expediency of legislation reducing the tax on deposits in savings banks came down adopted in concurrence by the Senate, with an amendment striking out the words, "Banks and Banking," and inserting "Taxation" instead; in which amendment the House concurred. Ibid.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of additional legislation to protect the rights of depositors in savings banks in cases where their deposit-books are lost or stolen, and the money on deposit paid to the wrong parties without fault of the depositors. Rights of depositors who have lost bank-books.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Expenditures consider what legislation is necessary concerning the salaries of constables and clerks of the municipal courts of the city of Boston. Constables and clerks of Boston courts.

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Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of causing a volume of the special laws to be printed under the direction of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. Special laws.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of amending the law relating to the support of certain insane persons in lunatic-hospitals. Insane paupers.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending the laws relative to burial certificates and returns of deaths. Burial certificates.

Freight-cars.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of requiring railroads in this Commonwealth to provide their covered freight-cars with suitable guards to prevent accidents to employes by falling therefrom.

County taxes.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of legislation to secure a more equal apportionment of State and county taxes upon the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth.

Taxes on savings banks.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of allowing savings banks and institutions for savings to deduct from the tax paid by them to the Commonwealth all municipal taxes, insurance premiums, and water rates on all real estate held by them under the provisions of section 26, chapter 203 of the Acts of 1876.

K. H. Whittemore.
Worcester
Light Infantry.

The following papers were referred in concurrence: —
Petition of Kate H. Whittemore for State aid; and
Petition of members of the Worcester Light Infantry for correction of certain records in the office of the adjutant-general.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Springfield
charter.

Petition of the mayor of Springfield for amendment of the charter of said city, relative to a board of registrars of voters. To the committee on Election Laws.

Bay State
House.

Petition of the proprietors of the Bay State House at Worcester for authority to increase their capital stock. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Agricultural
experiment
station.

Petition of L. F. Mellen and others for an agricultural experiment station. To the committee on Agriculture.

Methodist-Episcopal church,
Springfield.

Petition of the trustees of the Methodist-Episcopal church in Springfield for leave to fund their debt by issuing bonds. To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Boston Rapid
Transit Com-
pany.

Petition of Henry Hastings, Joe V. Meigs, and others, for incorporation of the Boston Rapid Transit Company. To the committee on Street Railways.

Mary A.
Brigham.

Petition of Mary A. Brigham for compensation for injuries received at the State lunatic-hospital at Worcester. To the committee on Claims.

Fish.

Petition of the selectmen of Beverly for an amendment to the law prohibiting the taking of fish by pounds, etc. To the committee on the Fisheries.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Budington of Leyden, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of legislation relating to cutting bushes, briars, thistles, noxious weeds, etc., on the highways. Noxious weeds,
etc.

On motion of Mr. Foster of Tewksbury, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the clerk of the secretary of the Board of Agriculture. Clerk of Board
of Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Rowe, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of so amending section 2 of chapter 130 of the Acts of the year 1867, concerning the licensing of dogs, that any person liable to pay said license, who shall neglect or refuse, for the space of one calendar month after the same has become due and payable, to obtain said license, shall pay an additional fee for said license. Dog licenses.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider what further legislation, if any, is necessary for the better protection of quail in this Commonwealth. Quail.

On motion of Mr. Sprague of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of making such changes in our laws as will enable officers of cities and towns to authorize the existence of homes for stray dogs within their limits under proper regulations. Stray dogs.

On motion of Mr. Brackett of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of further legislation in relation to the transportation of cattle to market. Transportation
of cattle.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of further legislation in relation to diseased and disabled animals. Diseased and
disabled
animals.

On motion of Mr. Allen of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of so amending the fourth provision of section 9 of chapter 203 of the Acts of the year 1876, relative to investments by savings banks, that the first four lines, to the words "United States" inclusive, shall read as follows: "In the stock of any banking asso- Investments by
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ciation incorporated under the authority of this State, or the stock of any bank or banking association located in this State, and incorporated under the authority of the United States."

On motion of Mr. Shepard of Sandisfield, —

Supervision of
schools.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing a more efficient system of supervision for the public schools of the State.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Sandisfield
school-district
system.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider what legislation is necessary to legalize the action of the town of Sandisfield in regard to the school-district system.

On motion of Mr. Donovan of Lawrence, —

Employment of
minors, etc.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of further legislation relating to the employment of minors and attendance at school, so as to afford relief in necessitous cases, and at the same time secure a better attendance in the common schools.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan of Middleborough, —

Certificates of
attendance at
school.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider what further legislation, if any, is necessary with regard to certificates issued by school committees to children employed in manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishments.

On motion of Mr. Shepard of Sandisfield, —

Special tax for
school fund.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing for the levy of a tax upon the property of the Commonwealth, the proceeds of which shall be added to the income of the school fund, and applied to the support of the public schools.

On motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, —

Free text-books.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of compelling cities and towns to supply text-books on the common English branches, free of charge, to the pupils in the public schools.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly, —

State Normal
Art School.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider whether the expenses of the State Normal Art School may not be reduced, and whether the cost of drawing in the public schools should not be made less by limiting the profits which any salaried officer of the State may have in the publication or sale of the books and apparatus used to teach drawing in such schools.

On motion of Mr. Clarke of New Bedford,—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 17 of chapter 7 of the General Statutes, so that the clerks of courts shall have the right to open and examine all election-returns made to them, as now provided by law, for the purpose of ascertaining whether they contain clerical errors, and to have the same corrected by the proper officer, should any such errors be found to exist therein.

Election-returns made to clerks of courts.

On motion of Mr. Brackett of Boston,—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation in relation to the use of money for election purposes.

Money used in elections.

On motion of Mr. Fiske of Holliston,—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending or repealing chapter 92 of the Acts of the year 1880, in relation to ballots.

Ballots.

On motion of Mr. Hemphill of Holyoke,—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending section 7 of the charter of the city of Holyoke, that each alderman shall be voted for by the voters of the city at large.

Holyoke aldermen.

On motion of Mr. Hemphill of Holyoke,—

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider the expediency of legislation providing that a clerk may be appointed for the police court of the city of Holyoke.

Clerk for Holyoke police court.

On motion of Mr. Merritt of Springfield,—

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider the expediency of revising the laws regulating the salaries of the constitutional and elective heads of departments of the State government.

Salaries of heads of departments.

On motion of Mr. Stover of Boston,—

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider the expediency of increasing the compensation of the justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district in the city of Boston.

Justice of municipal court, Charlestown district.

On motion of Mr. Hill of Boston,—

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider the expediency of amending chapter 29 of the Resolves of the year 1872, relating to the sale of the Cambridge arsenal.

Cambridge arsenal.

On motion of Mr. Phillips of Springfield,—

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider

Compensation.

of members of
Legislature.

the expediency of legislation in regard to the compensation of the members of the General Court.

On motion of Mr. J. G. Webster of Boston, —

Clerk and
accountant of
railroad
commissioners.

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider the expediency of amending chapter 287 of the Acts of the year 1879, establishing the salary of the clerk of the railroad commissioners, and limiting the compensation of their accountant.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly, —

Geneva award.

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations consider the propriety of instructing our senators, and requesting the members of the House of Representatives in Congress, to procure legislation (the present session if possible) providing for the distribution of the balance of the Geneva award fund to those persons equitably entitled to the same.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of North Adams, —

Troy and
Greenfield
Railroad police.

Ordered, That the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad consider the expediency of amending chapter 331 of the Acts of the year 1871, so that the provisions of said act may apply to the employés of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad, or of providing otherwise for the appointment of railroad police upon the Troy and Greenfield Railroad.

On motion of Mr. Robbins of Pittsfield, —

Fishes and
fishing.

Ordered, That the committee on the Fisheries consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to the cultivation of useful fishes, so that the inhabitants in the several towns may by vote regulate the fishing therein; and repealing such portions, and making such other amendments to the Statutes, as will enable all classes of people to exercise equal rights, and to be entitled to equal benefits in the taking of fish.

On motion of Mr. Bumstead of Springfield, —

Seines.

Ordered, That the committee on the Fisheries consider the expediency of amending or repealing chapter 172 of the Acts of the year 1878, concerning the use of seines in certain rivers.

On motion of Mr. Tappan of Manchester, —

Lobsters.

Ordered, That the committee on the Fisheries consider if any legislation is necessary for the better protection and preservation of lobsters.

On motion of Mr. John G. Webster of Boston,—

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands consider the expediency of authorizing the city of Boston to erect and maintain a plank sidewalk in front of the sea-wall on Charles River, in the rear of Beacon Street, for public use, to the end that all citizens may have free access to the Charles River.

Sea-wall on
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On motion of Mr. Howard of Fall River,—

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider what legislation is necessary, relative to contracts between employés and employers where forfeiture of wages is involved.

Contracts for
labor.

On motion of Mr. Nichols of Lawrence,—

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation in regard to the present system of letting out convict-labor in competition with the honest labor of the State.

Convict-labor.

On motion of Mr. Allen of Lynn,—

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of further legislation to procure the enforcement of section 2, chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1877, in reference to providing safeguards for hatchways.

Hatchways.

On motion of the same gentleman,—

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation to prevent the use of improperly constructed elevators.

Elevators.

On motion of Mr. Forbes of Westborough,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of legislation for the suppression of tippling-places and liquor nuisances.

Liquor
nuisances.

On motion of Mr. Parmenter of Amherst,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending the fourth condition of the sixth section of chapter 99 of the Acts of the year 1875, by adding after the word "minor," the words "or to any student in an incorporate academy, college, or other educational institution within the State."

Sales of liquor
to students.

On motion of Mr. Jewett of West Hampton,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending section 1, chapter 221 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to the punishment for drunkenness, as to provide that the penalty imposed therein shall include the payment of costs.

Punishment for
drunkenness.

On motion of Mr. Look of Leominster, —

Billiard, sippio,
and pool.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of prohibiting the issue of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors on premises containing billiard, sippio, or pool tables.

On motion of Mr. Forbes of Westborough, —

Punishment for
drunkenness.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of repealing or amending the laws relative to the punishment for drunkenness.

On motion of Mr. Coffin of Newburyport, —

Steam.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 202 of the Acts of the year 1879, being "An Act to authorize the supplying steam and hot water by gas companies and other corporations," by inserting in the third line thereof, after the word "steam," the word "gas."

On motion of Mr. Learnard of Boston, —

Telegraphs and
telephones.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation to prevent the consolidation, transfer, or sale of any telegraph or telephone company organized under the laws of Massachusetts, except by authority of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Reading, —

Wilmington.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of authorizing the town of Wilmington to pay bounties to certain soldiers who served on the quota of said town.

On motion of Mr. Phillips of Springfield, —

State primary
school hospital.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of legislation providing for a new hospital building, and for repairs to the old hospital; and also for water-supply at the State Primary School at Monson.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge, —

Pollution of
streams.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of further legislation to prevent the pollution of natural streams and water-courses by sewage or other substances.

On motion of Mr. French of Lynn, —

Cleaning
privies, etc.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation providing that the sums due the authorities or boards of health of the various cities and towns of this Commonwealth, for the removal of the con-

tents of, privies, vaults, or cesspools, may constitute a lien on the real estate on which said privies, vaults, or cesspools are situated, and may be collected in the same way as taxes on real estate.

On motion of Mr. Stevens of Clinton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of further legislation in regard to boards of health in towns.

Town boards of health.

On motion of Mr. Albee of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending section 5 of chapter 133 of the Acts of the year 1877, relating to boards of health in the several cities of the Commonwealth.

Boards of health in cities.

On motion of Mr. Rice of Florida, —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of ascertaining what sum, if any, shall be paid to the towns of Florida and Rowe, in consequence of the building of the new bridge and its approaches, under chapter 275 of the Acts of the year 1871, and determine the manner of keeping the same in repair.

Bridge in Florida and Rowe.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of requiring the railroad commissioners to report to the next Legislature upon the policy of limiting by law the number of passengers in street-railroad cars.

Passengers in street cars.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Rowe, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of legislation providing that the poll-tax shall be a uniform tax of two dollars in all cases throughout the Commonwealth.

Poll-tax.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Woman Suffrage consider the expediency of further legislation to secure to the women of the Commonwealth their just and equitable rights in regard to voting for members of school committees.

Women voting for school committees.

On motion of Mr. Forbes of Westborough, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law obtain and present to the Legislature the report of the inspector of liquor for the past year.

Inspector of liquors.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Suits against
certain foreign
corporations.

On motion of Mr. McGeough of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation relative to making corporations created by other States, but having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth, liable to suit, service of process, and attachment, in like manner as corporations organized under the laws of Massachusetts.

Bonds to dis-
solve attach-
ments.

On motion of Mr. Clarke of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending sections 104, 105, 106, of chapter 123 of the General Statutes, and sections 2 and 4 of chapter 291 of the Acts of the year 1870, so that any of the justices of any court of record, commissioner of insolvency, or trial-justice, shall have the same right to approve bonds to dissolve attachments as masters in chancery now have.

Real property
conveyed to
husband and
wife.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 14 of chapter 89 of the General Statutes, so that all real property hereafter conveyed to husband and wife shall be held by them as tenants in common, unless otherwise expressed in writing at the time of such conveyance; and by striking out of said section the words "or made to husband and wife."

Actions of tort.

On motion of Mr. Morse of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation providing for the advancement of actions of tort, and other actions for unliquidated damages, to speedy trial, upon affidavits filed by the defendant when an attachment of the defendant's property is made, in a manner similar to that provided for the relief of plaintiffs in section 3, chapter 251 of the Acts of the year 1874.

Judge and clerk
of Newton
police court.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the judge and of the clerk of the police court of Newton.

Jurisdiction of
municipal, dis-
trict, and police
courts.

On motion of Mr. Butler of Somerville, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation in regard to the jurisdiction of the several municipal, district, and police courts in the Commonwealth, and the writs issuing therefrom, and the service thereof.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation amending chapter 250 of the Acts of the year 1877, relative to the arrest and examination of judgment-debtors.

Judgment-debtors.

On motion of Mr. McDonald of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 161 of the Acts of the year 1880, concerning the auditing of accounts of county officers, that its provisions may apply to masters in chancery.

Accounts of masters in chancery.

On motion of Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of requiring the secretary of the Commonwealth to collect and return the number of registered female voters for school committee in the different cities and towns, and also the number who have exercised the said privilege of voting.

Women voting for school committees.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 132, sections 12 and 20, of the General Statutes, that deputy sheriffs may serve venires in the towns where they reside.

Venires.

On motion of Mr. McDonald of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of repealing so much of the General Statutes as authorizes masters in chancery to order arrests on mesne process and execution in civil actions, as well as to examine, discharge, or commit poor debtors arrested.

Powers of masters in chancery.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the General Statutes so as to authorize commissioners of insolvency to approve of bonds for the dissolution of attachments.

Bonds to dissolve attachments.

On motion of Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of changing the charter of the city of Springfield.

Springfield charter.

On motion of Mr. Snow of Raynham, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of prohibiting the judges of probate, district, municipal, and police courts from practising in the counties in which they hold their respective courts.

Practice by justices of inferior courts.

Writs against
sheriffs.

On motion of Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation to provide for the service of writs and other processes against the sheriffs of the several counties of the Commonwealth.

Injuries on
highways.

On motion of Mr. Hale of Milford, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of repealing chapter 244 of the Acts of the year 1879, and of amending chapter 284 of the Acts of the year 1877, concerning remedies for injuries sustained on highways.

Hawking and
peddling near
camp-meetings.

On motion of Mr. Kelley of Harwich, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 59 of the Acts of the year 1867, relating to hawking and peddling near camp-meetings, as to more clearly define what constitutes "a regular, usual, and established place of business" within the view of said act.

First district
court of Eastern
Worcester.

On motion of Mr. Forbes of Westborough, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the standing justice of the first district court of Eastern Worcester.

Bribing servants
or agents.

On motion of Mr. Andrew of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation to prevent bribing, or giving gratuities or making loans to the purchasing agents or servants of persons or corporations, by persons selling or seeking to sell any property to the principal through such agents or servants.

Counsel as-
signed in capital
trials.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing, by suitable legislation, for the compensation of counsel assigned to the trial of persons accused of capital crimes, and for making some suitable provision for the employment, at the expense of the government, of medical and other experts in behalf of the accused.

Massachusetts
Central Rail-
road.

On motion of Mr. Parmenter of Amherst, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the second section of chapter 169 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to enabling the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company to cross the Lexington and Arlington Railroad at grade, and to change the

location of certain portions of its road by striking out the proviso in that section.

On motion of Mr. Marshall of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation regulating assignment of wages, and protecting creditors from fraudulent assignments of wages. Assignments of wages.

On motion of Mr. Forbes of Westborough, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Chancery consider the expediency of further legislation concerning orders of notice and citations in probate courts, and the manner of serving the same. Orders of notice and citations.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan of Middleborough, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Chancery consider the expediency of further legislation giving assignees and creditors of insolvent debtors the right to examine witnesses in relation to the property of the debtor, and his transactions prior to his insolvency. Insolvent debtors.

On motion of Mr. Thayer of North Adams, —

Ordered, That the committee on Finance consider the expediency of authorizing cities and towns which are indebted to this Commonwealth to discharge such indebtedness before its maturity, and to borrow money and to issue bonds or other proper securities therefor. Debts of cities and towns to the Commonwealth.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to incorporate the American Loan and Trust Company was, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, referred to the committee on the Judiciary, on motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston. Orders of the day.

Reports:

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing that the names of venders of milk shall be exhibited on their vehicles; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw:

On the petition of Jane Grady for State aid; and

On the petition of Mary Wigglesworth for State aid;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles S. Bolton for arrears of money due him from the State, for services ren-

dered in the late war, was considered, and, pending a motion of Mr. Dever of Boston to substitute for the report a Resolve in favor of Charles S. Bolton, further consideration of the matter was postponed until to-morrow, on further motion of Mr. Dever.

The Senate Bill amending the charter of the city of Boston by repealing the provision therein for general meetings of the legal voters was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, by a vote of 72 to 88.

The Bill to incorporate the Lexington Water Company was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Bills :

To incorporate the Milford Water Company ;

To change the name of the Farmer and Gardner Manufacturing Company ;

Making appropriations for expenses of the various charitable and reformatory institutions, and for other purposes ; and the

Resolve authorizing the treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend chapter 245 of the Acts of the year 1880, concerning the filing of location by the Cape-Cod Canal Company, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolves :

In favor of the Middlesex Agricultural Society ; and

In favor of the Nantucket Agricultural Society ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to repeal chapter 152 of the General Statutes, concerning recognizances for debts, was read a third time, and, after debate, was rejected.

Subsequently, Mr. Cogswell of Salem moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was rejected, which motion was placed first in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

At ten minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY, Feb. 3, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Z. E. Smith of Boston, petition of Henry D. Hyde and others; and, by Mr. Andrew of Boston, petition of Joseph Peabody and others,—severally for legislation requiring the school committee of Boston to confine its expenditures within the limits of the appropriations of the city council.

Boston school committee.

By Mr. Keith of Brockton, petition of Edward Parker and others; and, by Mr. Canterbury of Weymouth, petition of G. W. Shaw and others,—severally for a law allowing the election of school-teachers for a term of years, or during good behavior.

School-teachers.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, remonstrance of James H. McMullen and others; by Mr. Carleton of Georgetown, remonstrance of Paul Page and others; and, by Mr. Poor of Lawrence, remonstrance of William Hill and others, and of Greenleaf Clarke and others,—severally against a draw in the bridge of the Boston and Maine Railroad at Haverhill.

Boston and Maine Railroad bridge.

Severally referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

By Mr. Fuller of Framingham, petition of Mrs. Josiah Hemenway and others; by Mr. McManus of Natick, petition of Mrs. H. D. Hildreth and 351 others; by Mr. Parmenter of Amherst, petition of Mrs. A. E. Cummings and others; by Mr. Shepard of Sandisfield, petition of Jane S. Dewey and others; by Mr. Thayer of North Adams, petition of Mrs. L. L. Blood and others; by Mr. Hadley of Marion, petition of M. Louise Allen and others; by Mr. Holman of Leicester, petition of Mrs. J. V. Scott and others; and, by Mr. Fifield of Salisbury, petition of Mrs. Polly Osgood and others,—severally for a constitutional amendment prohibiting the manufacture and sale of liquors.

Liquors.

Severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, petition of S. Henry Hooper, that the name of the Alden Emery Company may be changed. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Alden Emery Company.

Monatiquot
River.

By Mr. Sheppard of Braintree, petition of F. H. Cowing and others in aid of the petition of the town of Braintree, relative to a bridge over Monatiquot River. Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Cohasset and
Hull.

By Mr. Wales of Randolph, remonstrance of James G. Scott and others against the annexation of a part of Cohasset to Hull.

Quincy and
Boston.

By Mr. Porter of Quincy, remonstrance of the selectmen and citizens of Quincy against the petition of Chase Parker for the annexation of a portion of said town to Boston.

Severally referred to the committee on Towns.

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Keith of Brockton, petition of Rev. S. L. Beal and 226 others for woman suffrage. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Joseph M. Day.

By Mr. Kelley of Harwich, remonstrance of Isaac B. Young and others against the removal of Joseph M. Day, judge of probate for Barnstable County. Referred to the special committee on that subject.

Biennial
elections.

By Mr. Livermore of Boston, remonstrance of N. E. Chase and others against biennial elections. Placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

Special justices.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Expenditures inquire into the expediency of increasing the number of days' service in each year for which special justices of district and police courts may receive compensation out of the public treasury.

Secretary of the
Board of Edu-
cation.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Expenditures inquire into the expediency of establishing the salary of the secretary of the State Board of Education at a sum which shall be a more adequate recompense for the performance of the responsible duties of his office.

Hoosac
Tunnel and
Troy and
Greenfield
Railroad.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad consider the expediency of providing additional yard room at or near North Adams, and of providing for the management of the yard and station at North Adams; also to consider the expediency of constructing a double track, or additional side tracks, upon any part of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad; also to consider any legislation that may be necessary with regard to the management of the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider what legislation is necessary concerning inspection of meat slaughtered in and brought into this Commonwealth for sale, and what change should be made in the laws relative to the sale of unwholesome food.

Meat.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to and affecting the imposition of term of sentence for criminal offences.

Sentences for criminal offences.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of directing the commissioners of State aid to refund to certain cities and towns money now withheld because of some informalities in making returns during the year 1880.

State aid.

A Bill to authorize the appointment of certain officers in the executive department, and to fix their compensation, introduced on leave in the Senate, was read, and referred in concurrence to the committee on Expenditures.

Officers in executive department.

A Bill to prohibit the issue of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors on premises containing billiard, sippio, or pool tables, introduced on leave in the Senate, was read, and referred in concurrence to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Billiard, sippio, and pool.

A report of the committee on Expenditures, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the order relative to establishing the office of clerk of the police court of the city of Chelsea, and recommending its reference to the Senate committee on the Judiciary, accepted by the Senate in so much as relates to the discharge of the committee, was read, and accepted in concurrence.

Clerk of Chelsea police court.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on the annual report of births, marriages, and deaths, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule.

Registration report.

A Resolve in favor of Isadora F. Lincoln, reported on a petition and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Isadora F. Lincoln.

The following petitions were referred in concurrence: —
Petition of the Boston and Hingham Steamboat Company for permission to increase its capital stock; and
Petition of William E. Baker and others for an act of incorporation as the Hygiene League Co-operative.

Boston and Hingham Steamboat Company.

Hygiene League.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Justice first
district court,
Southern
Worcester.

Petition of Clark Jillson, justice of the first district court of Southern Worcester, for an increase of his salary; and

Bristol county
commissioners.

Petition of Franklin Gray, chairman of the board of county commissioners for the county of Bristol, for an increase of the salary for the said county commissioners.

Severally to the committee on Expenditures.

Charles River
Embankment
Company.

Petition of Isaac Pratt, jun., for authority for the petitioners for incorporation as the Charles River Embankment Company to build a bridge across Charles River. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Natick bounties.

Petition of the town of Natick for authority to raise money to equalize the bounties of its soldiers in the war of the Rebellion. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Natick water-
supply.

Petition of R. E. Farwell and others for an amendment of chapter 76 of the Acts of 1873, relative to the use of water by the town of Natick. To the committee on Public Health.

Warden of
State Prison.

Petition of S. E. Chamberlain, warden, for reimbursement for expenses incurred in entertaining official visitors at the State Prison. To the committee on Prisons.

Powers's ele-
vated railroad.

Petition of Charles E. Powers and others for an act of incorporation as an elevated railroad company, for the purpose of locating, maintaining, and operating an elevated railroad in the cities of Boston, Cambridge, Somerville, and Chelsea, and in the towns of Malden, Medford, and Everett; and

Elevated
railroads.

Remonstrance of Moses A. Dow and others against granting a charter to any steam elevated railroad company to be run through the streets of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

William E.
Baker.

Petition of William Emerson Baker and others for an act of incorporation as a village or borough with power to levy taxes; and

Massachusetts
Public Health
Association.

Petition of William Emerson Baker for amendment of chapter 153 of the Acts of 1879, incorporating the Massachusetts Public Health Association.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To change the name of the Globe Rubber Company (which originated in the House); and

In addition to "An Act to supply the town of Clinton with pure water" (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the expediency of amending the laws in relation to maintaining the insane, so that indigent insane persons shall be supported at State expense, and recommending its reference to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Indigent insane.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the expediency of so amending the law concerning the settlement of paupers, as to provide that an alien shall not acquire a settlement by reason of the settlement of his parents, and recommending its reference to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Settlement of aliens.

Severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in the reference.

By Mr. Clark of Worcester, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing a uniform rate of taxation on mortgages throughout the State. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Tax on mortgages.

By Mr. Freeman of Wellfleet, from the committee on the Fisheries, on a petition, a Bill to amend "An Act to incorporate the Nine-Mile Pond Fishing Company." Read, and ordered to a second reading.

Nine-Mile Pond Fishing Company.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Brown of Boston moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the Senate Bill amending the charter of the city of Boston, repealing the provision therein for general meetings of the legal voters. The motion prevailed; and on further motion of the same gentleman, pending the recurring question on rejection, the bill was recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Public meetings of voters in Boston.

Orders of the Day.

The motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, to reconsider the vote whereby the House rejected the Senate Bill to repeal

Orders of the day.

chapter 152 of the General Statutes, concerning recognizances for debts, was, with the consent of the House, withdrawn by that gentleman, and notice of the rejection of the bill was sent to the Senate.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles S. Bolton for arrears of money due him from the State for services rendered in the late war, was further considered. The pending motion of Mr. Dever, to amend by substituting a resolve, was lost, and the report was accepted in concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Lexington Water Company was, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, recommitted to the committee on Public Health, on motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on petition of Adelia T. Jones for back State aid, was, on motion of Mr. Stevens of Clinton, recommitted to the committee on Military Affairs.

The report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the address of his Excellency the Governor as relates to executive officers, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolution instructing the Massachusetts senators, and requesting the Massachusetts representatives in Congress, to favor legislation giving Congress exclusive control of telegraphing in this country, was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to incorporate the Milford Water Company was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, was, on motion of Mr. Rand of Milford, recommitted to the committee on Public Health.

Bills:

To confirm certain acts done by Matthew J. McCafferty as a justice of the peace;

To amend the certificate of incorporation of the Supreme Council of the Home Circle; and

Relative to the assessment of damages for land taken for public uses;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To change the name of the Farmer and Gardner Manufacturing Company ; and

Making appropriations for expenses of the various charitable and reformatory institutions, and for other purposes ; and the

Resolve authorizing the treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve providing for amendments to the Constitution, to provide for biennial elections, was further considered. Pending the consideration of amendments moved by Messrs. Searles of Northbridge and Higginson of Cambridge, and pending the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, further consideration of the matter was postponed until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Higginson.

The report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the second proposed amendment as to biennial elections, as to provide for the election of one-half of the members of the Senate and House of Representatives each year, to serve for the term of two years, was, on motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

At ten minutes before five o'clock adjourned.

FRIDAY, Feb. 4, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Adjutant-General's Report.

A message was received from his Excellency the Governor, transmitting the annual report of the adjutant-general for 1880. Adjutant-general's report.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Milliken of New Bedford, petition of S. Blackinton and others of Berkshire County in favor of the claim of Walter Shanly against the Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Claims. W. Shanly.

Teachers.

By Mr. Tufts of Fitchburg, petition of Joseph G. Edgerly and others; and, by Mr. Richardson of Wakefield, petition of Otis V. Waterman and others, — severally for a law allowing the election of school-teachers for a term of years, or during good behavior.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

Ipswich bridge.

By Mr. Fellows of Ipswich, petition of the selectmen of Ipswich for the construction of a bridge at Ipswich without a draw. Referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Co-operative associations.

By Mr. White of Taunton, petition of the Taunton Co-operative Saving-Fund and Loan Association for amendment of chapter 224 of the Acts of the year 1877, relating to co-operative saving-fund and loan associations. Referred to the committee on Labor.

Liquor law.

By Mr. Porter of Rowe, petition of C. H. Scott and others for legislation prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in all cases except for medicinal and mechanical purposes. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Sewage of Bridgewater Normal School.

By Mr. Keith of Brockton, petition of the selectmen of West Bridgewater and others in aid of the petition for a law to prohibit the discharge of sewage from the Bridgewater Normal School into Town River.

Pharmacy.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, remonstrance of G. W. Felton and 78 others of Malden against the proposed bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Health.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, was laid over until Monday at the request of Mr. Hill of Boston: —

Representatives' chamber.

Ordered, That committees be allowed the use of the hall of the House of Representatives during the morning hour, whenever the sergeant-at-arms may deem it necessary.

*Reports of Committees.***West-Boston Savings Bank.**

By Mr. Allen of Lynn, from the committee on Banks and Banking, no legislation necessary, on the report of the receivers of the West-Boston Savings Bank. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Fiske of Holliston, from the committee on Claims, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Richard Nichols for compensation for services rendered the Commonwealth.

Richard
Nichols.

By Mr. Forbes of Westborough, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending article 3 of the amendments of the Constitution, that no citizen of this Commonwealth shall be disfranchised by reason of some member of his family being supported at the State lunatic-hospital at public expense.

Insane member
of family.

By Mr. Fernald of Melrose, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending article 3 of the amendments to the Constitution, so that the payment of a tax shall not be required as a qualification to vote (Messrs. Quigley of the Senate, and Galvin of Boston and Forbes of Westborough of the House, dissenting, and recommending the passage of a Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution, relative to the qualification of voters for governor, lieutenant-governor, senators, and representatives).

Tax as qualifi-
cation for
voting.

By Mr. Lamb of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law for a uniform fee, not to exceed ten dollars, to be charged to hawkers or peddlers.

Hawkers and
peddlers.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (on leave) concerning the payment of laborers' wages by cities ought to pass (Messrs. Wiley and Ray of the Senate, and Messrs. Eddy of Ashburnham, Cushman of Monson, and Peck of Wilbraham, dissenting).

Laborers'
wages.

Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

By Mr. Keith of Brockton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Holmes Hole Union Wharf Company. Read, and ordered to a second reading.

Holmes Hole
Union Wharf
Company.

By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the committee find no legal objections to the Bill to incorporate the American Loan and Trust Company. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a third reading.

American Loan
and Trust Com-
pany.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the expediency :

Sundry salaries.

Of increasing the salary of the standing justice of the first district court of Eastern Worcester;

Of increasing the salaries of the judge and clerk of the Lynn police court; and

Of increasing the salaries of the judge and of the clerk of the police court of Newton; and the

Petition of M. H. Pease, justice of the police court of Lee, for increase of salary;

And recommending the reference of the petition and the subject-matter of the orders severally to the committee on Expenditures.

Severally read, accepted, and sent up for concurrence in the reference.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing a uniform rate of taxation on mortgages throughout the State, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend "An Act to incorporate the Nine-Mile Pond Fishing Company" was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To confirm certain acts done by Matthew J. McCafferty as a justice of the peace; and

To amend the certificate of incorporation of the Supreme Council of the Home Circle;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the assessment of damages for land taken for public uses was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Resolve providing for amendments to the Constitution, to provide for biennial elections, was further considered. The pending amendments moved by Mr. Searles of North-bridge, to strike out in the first line of the second article of amendment the words "and representatives," and of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, to strike out the second article of amendment, were severally lost. The resolve was then refused a third reading by a vote of 86 to 86.

At five minutes before four o'clock adjourned.

MONDAY, Feb. 7, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Fifield of Salisbury, petition of J. Henry Hill and others for an experiment station at the Agricultural College. Referred to the committee on Agriculture. Experiment station.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of F. O. Prince and others in favor of the claim of Walter Shanly against the Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Claims. W. Shanly.

By Mr. Thomas of Brookline, petition of D. H. Daniels and others; by Mr. Eager of Canton, petition of Clarence H. Berry and others; by Mr. White of Taunton, petition of Charles S. Morse and others; by Mr. Avery of Plymouth, petition of Charles Burton and others; by Mr. Hemphill of Holyoke, petition of H. B. Lawrence and others; by Mr. Reade of Boston, petition of Larkin Dunton and others; by Mr. Fernald of Melrose, petition of A. G. Whitman and others; and, by Mr. Wonson of Gloucester, petition of Josiah H. Hunt and others, — severally for a law allowing school committees to elect teachers to serve for a term of years, or during good behavior. Teachers.

By Mr. Marshall of Worcester, remonstrance of Rufus Woodward and others against a law restricting the authority of school committees as to expenditures. School committees.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Snow of Raynham, petition of D. Martin and others in aid of the petition for a change in the law concerning co-operative saving-fund and loan associations. Co-operative associations.

By Mr. Porter of Rowe, petition of J. C. Bryant and others for a stringent prohibitory law. Liquor law.

By Mr. Baker of Beverly, petition of Emma F. Pratt and 20,080 others for an amendment to the Constitution, relative to the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. Liquors.

Severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. O'Neil of Boston, remonstrance of Mrs. Jennie L. Morris and others; and, by Mr. Stickney of Chelsea, remonstrance of G. W. McClellan and others, — severally Pharmacy.

against the proposed bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Health.

Cohasset and Hull.

By Mr. Canterbury of Weymouth, remonstrance of George W. White and others against the annexation of any part of Cohasset to Hull. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Boston charter.

By Mr. Galvin of Boston, remonstrance of the Workingmen's City Committee of Boston against repealing that part of the charter of the city of Boston relating to the general meetings of the citizens. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

William C. Manter.

By Mr. Cleveland of Cottage City, petition of William C. Manter and Rebecca H. Manter for reimbursement for articles furnished the town of Gay Head when said town was a ward of the State. Referred to the next General Court, under the 10th joint Rule.

Reports, etc., Referred.

School fund.

Annual report of the commissioners of the Massachusetts school fund. To the committee on Education, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule.

Hartford and Erie sinking-fund.

Annual report of the commissioners of the Boston, Hartford, and Erie Railroad sinking-fund. To the committee on Railroads, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule.

Adjutant-general's report.

The adjutant-general's report, received yesterday, was referred, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

County estimates.

Estimates of the several counties for taxes the present year were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and referred to the committee on County Estimates, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

District police.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to labor and the district police, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule.

Reports :

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to co-operative saving-fund and loan associations; and

Co-operative
associations.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, who were instructed to inquire whether chapter 39 of the Resolves of the year 1878, relative to correction of the list of soldiers who served in the war of the Rebellion, has been complied with, that while the work therein ordered has not been completed, progress is now being made, and no legislation is necessary thereon (this order never came to the House for concurrence);

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Bill extending the provisions of chapter 129 of the Acts of the year 1880 to persons imprisoned in the House of Industry, and giving certain powers to the board of directors for public institutions of the city of Boston, reported on a portion of the Governor's address and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Probation
officers.

A Bill to amend chapter 252 of the Acts of the year 1879, entitled "An Act for the benefit of indigent soldiers and sailors," reported on a House order adopted Jan. 18, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

State aid.

The House Bill relating to the municipal courts of the city of Boston came down from the Senate, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment striking out the title, and inserting in place thereof the words, "An Act in relation to sentences to imprisonment by the municipal courts of the city of Boston;" in which amendment the House concurred, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Boston muni-
cipal courts.

The report of the commissioners of State aid, on the investigation of the claims of the surviving members and the widows and children of deceased members of the Eleventh and Twelfth Regiments Massachusetts Volunteers, in compliance with the provisions of chapters 67 and 68 of the Resolves of 1880, was referred in concurrence, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Eleventh and
Twelfth Regi-
ments.

The House order adopted Feb. 1, instructing the committee on Military Affairs to consider the expediency of

Commissioner
of State aid.

so amending section 6, chapter 252 of the Acts of the year 1879, as to increase the compensation of the commissioner of State aid referred to in said section, came down, with an amendment striking out the words "Military Affairs," and inserting in place thereof the word "Expenditures;" in which amendment the House concurred.

Hampshire-
county com-
missioners.

The petition of the county commissioners of Hampshire County for reimbursement of certain expenses incurred in endeavoring to bring certain persons to Massachusetts to answer to an indictment for breaking and entering the Northampton National Bank was referred in concurrence, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Expenditures.

Teachers.

The petition of Charles P. Ruggs and 95 others, that public school-teachers may be elected for a term of years, or during good behavior, was referred in concurrence to the committee on Education.

Engrossed Resolve.

Resolve passed. An engrossed Resolve to confirm the acts done by Nathan Morse as a justice of the peace (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Superior court. By Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reducing the number of judges of the superior court of the Commonwealth.

Blasphemy. By Mr. McGeough of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending or striking out section 19 of chapter 165 of the General Statutes, concerning the crime of blasphemy.

Credibility of witnesses. By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 12 of chapter 181 of the General Statutes, concerning the credibility of witnesses, by striking out the final clause.

Railroad trains in public streets of Boston. By Mr. Brown of Marblehead, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making up and running railroad trains over the public streets of Boston and vicinity.

State directors. By Mr. Phillips of Springfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the election of a stockholder in the Boston and Albany Railroad as State director of said road.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Baker of Beverly, from the committee appointed to prepare Rules and Orders for the government of the two branches, that joint Rule No. 7 be amended by striking out in the second paragraph thereof the word "eight," and inserting instead thereof the word "nine;" also the following new rule, to be numbered 24:—

Joint Rules
Nos. 7 and 24.

"RULE 24. Any joint rule or order, except the tenth, may be amended, suspended, or rescinded, two-thirds of the members present in each branch consenting thereto."

By the same gentleman, from the joint special committee appointed to consider and report what disposition should be made of the several portions of the address of his Excellency the Governor, the following order:—

Revision of the
Statutes.

Ordered, That so much of the address of his Excellency the Governor as relates to the revision of the Statutes of the Commonwealth be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, with eight members of the Senate, and twenty-five members of the House of Representatives.

Severally read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill in relation to the appointment of a probation officer in the city of Boston.

Boston proba-
tion officer.

By Mr. Wells of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, that the Bill relating to registers of probate and insolvency, which was recommitted with instructions, ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Registers of
probate.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Hill of Boston, the report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the second proposed amendment as to biennial elections as to provide for the election of one-half of the members of the Senate and House of Representatives each year, to serve for the term of two years, was discharged from the orders of the day, and, on his further motion, postponed for consideration

Biennial
elections.

until next Thursday, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Qualifications of voters.

On motion of Mr. Galvin of Boston, the report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending article 3 of the amendments to the Constitution, so that the payment of a tax shall not be required as a qualification to vote, was discharged from the orders of the day, and, on his further motion, was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Order.

Hall of House of Representatives.

The order offered yesterday and laid over, relative to allowing the use of the hall of the House of Representatives whenever the sergeant-at-arms may deem it necessary, was rejected by a vote of 65 to 86.

Use of the Hall of the House.

Ibid.

A motion of Mr. Morse of Newton, that the committee on Towns be allowed the use of the hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of a public hearing, was lost.

Reconsideration.

Biennial elections.

Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the Resolve providing for amendments to the Constitution to provide for biennial elections, which motion prevailed by a vote of 115 to 64.

On the recurring question of ordering the resolve to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered at the request of Mr. Muzzey, and, the roll being called, the resolve was so ordered by a vote of 114 yeas to 80 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.

Allen, Charles H.

Allen, Frank D.

Andrew, John F.

Avery, Winslow W.

Bail, George W.

Bailey, Thomas F.

Baker, Thomas J.

Bowerman, Samuel W.

Brackett, John Q. A.

Messrs. Brown, Charles F.

Brown, Edward P.

Brown, Leonard.

Brown, William B.

Bugbee, James M.

Bulloch, Andrew.

Burt, George L.

Butler, Edward P.

Butler, John Haskell.

Canterbury, Nathan D.

Messrs. Carleton, George H.	Messrs. Milliken, Eben C.
Chamberlain, George D.	Morrison, Daniel T.
Clapp, Frank A.	Morse, George W.
Clark, William L.	Muzzey, Henry W.
Coffin, Amos.	Newell, Richard.
Collamore, Francis.	Noyes, Increase E.
Coney, Hubert M.	Packard, Davis S.
Coolidge, Timothy A.	Paddack, Henry.
Corey, Charles A.	Parmenter, Charles O.
Crowell, James A.	Poor, Edward P.
Curtis, Hiram.	Porter, Charles H.
Davenport, James F.	Prouty, Isaac L.
Dickerman, John E.	Richardson, Solon O.
Eager, Edward R.	Robbins, Oliver W.
Evans, James M.	Root, Thomas P.
Farrar, Job P.	Sanborn, John H.
Fay, George F.	Sawyer, Henry O.
Fernald, B. Marvin.	Scott, Thomas.
Fifield, Benjamin L.	Shaw, Edward P.
Fiske, George B.	Shepard, Harvey N.
Floyd, Thomas.	Sheppard, Joel F.
Forbes, William T.	Slocum, Henry A.
Foster, Enoch.	Smith, Zenas E.
French, Hartwell S.	Sprague, Henry H.
Fuller, Luther F.	Stevens, Edward G.
Gaskill, Leonard T.	Stevens, Ezra A.
Gifford, James E.	Stevens, J. Tyler.
Gifford, Rufus B.	Stickney, Joseph W.
Goulding, Robert.	Stover, Augustus W.
Hemphill, Ashton E.	Stowe, Edmund M.
Hill, Hamilton A.	Sullivan, John C.
Holman, William F.	Tapley, Gilbert A.
Hooper, Arthur.	Thomas, Edward I.
Howland, Charles W.	Tinkham, Benjamin C.
Johnson, William.	Tufts, Arthur W.
Jones, Thomas B.	Tufts, Joseph A.
Keith, Albert.	Valpey, Samuel B.
Lawrence, Asa S.	Vinal, Quincy A.
Learnard, George E.	Wales, Jonathan.
Lincoln, Clark.	Walker, Aaron G.
Livermore, George B.	Wardwell, Henry.
Lodge, Henry C.	Warren, Nathan.
Look, Dwight B.	Webster, John G.
Lyon, Henry.	Wells, Henry J.
Marshall, Asaph R.	White, Lloyd E.
Metcalf, Edwin D.	Whitney, Levi L.
Miller, J. Hervey.	Willcutt, Levi L.

NAYS.

Messrs. Almy, James F.	Messrs. Love, John J.
Ames, Edwin.	Mahoney, Patrick F.
Atwood, Newell S.	Mansfield, Andrew.
Baker, John I.	Marble, John W.
Barton, Leonard.	McCullough, Thomas.
Beckford, Ebenezer.	McDonald, Patrick F.
Buck, John W. P.	McFarlin, Peleg.
Burr, Frank W.	McGahey, Alex. B.
Carroll, Lewis.	McGeough, James A.
Cawley, Edward.	McSorley, John.
Clarke, Albert E.	Mellen, James H.
Cleveland, Tristram.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Cogswell, William.	O'Donnell, John.
Crandall, George N.	O'Neil, Joseph H.
Cronin, Cornelius F.	Parratt, George A.
Dever, John F.	Peck, Chauncey E.
Donovan, Daniel.	Plunkett, Francis.
Dorman, Asabel H.	Porter, Burrill, jun.
Edwards, James.	Porter, Vaniah M.
Fay, Thomas, jun.	Quirk, Dennis G.
Fellows, Alonzo B.	Rand, John C.
Fowler, Charles B.	Reade, John.
Galvin, Owen A.	Reed, Charles A.
Gargan, Frank.	Rice, Frederick S.
Gill, Charles L.	Richardson, Nat'l. jun.
Gilman, Thomas K.	Russell, William W.
Goodwin, John.	Sawin, Otis D.
Hadley, Stephen D.	Smith, Remember.
Hale, Silas W.	Snow, William O.
Hamlin, Joseph P.	Stanton, John.
Hayden, Edward D.	Steele, Isaac A. S.
Higginson, Thomas W.	Strong, Sidney.
Hoar, Samuel.	Swift, Charles F.
Howard, Robert.	Tappan, William H.
Jenks, Henry R.	Walker, Samuel.
Jewett, Albert G.	Webster, Edwin R.
Joyce, John.	White, James.
Kelly, Francis B.	Wilson, Arthur H.
Kendall, Ira Y.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.
Lamb, Abraham J.	Wood, Owen.

Yeas, 114 ; nays, 80.

On further motion of Mr. Muzzey, the further consideration of the resolve was postponed until Thursday next, and it was placed first in the orders for that day.

Orders of the Day.

The Resolution instructing the Massachusetts senators, and requesting the Massachusetts representatives in Congress, to favor legislation giving Congress exclusive control of telegraphing in this country, was further considered, and, after debate, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Orders of the day.

Reports:

Of the committee on Claims, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Richard Nichols for compensation for services rendered the Commonwealth; and

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending article 3 of the amendments of the Constitution, that no citizen of this Commonwealth shall be disfranchised by reason of some member of his family being supported at the State lunatic-hospital at public expense;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law for a uniform fee, not to exceed ten dollars, to be charged to hawkers or peddlers, was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, postponed for consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill concerning the payment of laborers' wages by cities was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on motion of Mr. Dever of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to change the name of the Holmes Hole Union Wharf Company was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend "An Act to incorporate the Nine-Mile Pond Fishing Company" was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the American Loan and Trust Company was read a third time, and considered. Pending the question on the engrossment of the bill, and pending the consideration of certain amendments moved by Messrs. Thomas of Brookline, Tufts of Boston, and Hill of Boston, the House,

At fifteen minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, Feb. 8, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Petitions Presented.***Experiment station.**

By Mr. Budington of Leyden, petition of C. F. Severance and others; by Mr. Root of Barre, petition of George Brown and others; by Mr. Barton of Gill, petition of William Keith and others; by Mr. Sawin of Templeton, petition of C. K. Wilder and others; by Mr. Collamore of Pembroke, petition of John Beal and others; and, by Mr. Whitney of Millbury, petition of John McClellan and others, — severally for an experiment station at the Agricultural College.

By Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, petition of S. N. Hatch in aid of the petition requiring owners of land to clear their lands of Canada thistles and wild carrot.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Teachers.

By Mr. Marshall of Worcester, petition of Arthur G. Lewis and others; and, by Mr. Farrar of Abington, petition of C. H. Meserve and others, — severally for a law allowing school committees to elect teachers to serve for a term of years, or during good behavior.

School committees.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, remonstrance of Samuel H. Worcester and others against restricting the authority of school committees as to expenditures.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

Connecticut River.

By Mr. Bumstead of Springfield, petition of Henry Fuller, jun., and others in aid of the petition for a change in the law relative to fishing in the Connecticut River.

Taking of fish.

By Mr. Richardson of Rockport, remonstrance of Charles Hodgkins and others; and, by Mr. Steele of Gloucester, remonstrance of Dennis & Ayer and other owners and masters of vessels, — severally against any amendment to the law relative to the taking of fish by pounds, traps, etc.

Severally referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

Liquor law.

By Mr. Almy of Salem, petition of Angeline C. Crawford and 108 others in aid of the petition of Harriet E. Clark and others, relative to the liquor law. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Shipping in foreign trade.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of William F. Adams and 26 others; and, by Mr. Clarke of New Bedford, petition of Alden Besse and others, — severally for legisla-

tion exempting from taxation shipping engaged in foreign trade.

Severally referred to the committee on Taxation.

By Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, petition of William I. Bowditch and 255 others for certain amendments to the law allowing women to vote for school committees. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Women voting
for school
committees.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Lamb of Boston, petition of T. C. Brophy and others against the repeal of so much of the charter of the city of Boston as relates to public meetings by voters. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Public meetings
of voters in
Boston.

By Mr. Lincoln of Barnstable, petition of Laban Baker and 127 others for the removal of Judge Day as judge of probate for Barnstable County. Referred to the special committee on that subject.

Joseph M. Day.

By Mr. Farrar of Abington, petition of the town of South Abington for reimbursement for money paid for support of a State pauper. Referred, under the 10th joint Rule, to the next General Court.

South Abington.

Papers from the Senate.

A Resolution regarding the revival of American commerce, reported on a portion of the Governor's address and adopted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Commerce.

Bills :

To repeal certain statutes relating to proving fire-arms (reported on an order) ; and

Fire-arms.

To authorize the Hamilton Manufacturing Company to increase its capital stock (reported on a petition) ;

Hamilton Manu-
facturing Com-
pany.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill to repeal chapter 98 of the Acts of the year 1880, relating to the limitation of actions, had been rejected by that branch.

Limitation of
actions.

The following petitions were referred in concurrence : —

Petitions of Henry W. Maxson and others, and of J. H. Willoughby and others, — severally for a law allowing school committees to elect teachers for a term of years, or during good behavior.

Teachers.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Tax on life-
insurance
companies.

Petition of C. H. Plumb and others for the repeal of chapter 227 of the Acts of the year 1880, concerning an excise tax on life-insurance companies. To the committee on Taxation.

Woman
suffrage.

Petition of James M. Aldrich and 150 others of Fall River in favor of woman suffrage. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Bills Enacted, and Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To prevent the unauthorized use of the seals and badges of cities and towns;

To authorize the Old Colony Railroad Company to take land for additional tracks in Fall River;

Concerning marriages in the Society of Friends;

To authorize the Peabody and Victoria Mills to open certain streets in Newburyport for the purpose of laying gas-pipes;

In relation to harbor-masters;

In relation to sentences to imprisonment by the municipal courts of the city of Boston; and

To change the time of the annual meeting of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy;

(Which severally originated in the House);

To amend chapter 245 of the Acts of the year 1880, concerning the filing of location by the Cape-Cod Canal Company; and

Relative to the assessment of damages for lands taken for public uses;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve to provide for the re-issue of testimonials to soldiers and sailors (which originated in the House) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Officers' fees.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that officers who are paid for their services by a fixed compensation shall not receive fees in addition thereto.

Boston
aldermen.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to filling vacan-

cies in the board of aldermen of the city of Boston by a majority of the ballots of the remaining members.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the same committee, in-
expedient to legislate, on an order relative to dispensing
with a fee at the entry of actions in the district and police
courts. Entry fees.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, in-
expedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing
entry fees for police, municipal, and district courts. Ibid.

By Mr. Clarke of New Bedford, from the committee on
Probate and Chancery, inexpedient to legislate, on an order
relative to allowance of amendments to reasons of appeal
in probate courts. Reasons of
appeal.

By Mr. Budington of Leyden, from the committee on
Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Israel
Putnam and others for a law providing for the appoint-
ment of inspectors of vinegar. Vinegar.

By Mr. E. R. Webster of Boston, from the same com-
mittee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Marshfield
Agricultural Society for an act enabling said society to
mortgage its property. Marshfield
Agricultural
Society.

By Mr. Butler of Somerville, from the committee on
Claims, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William
Walsh for relief for injuries sustained by suits in his ab-
sence while a soldier in the late war. William Walsh.

By Mr. Coney of Springfield, from the committee on
Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of
Catherine Cooney for State aid. C. Cooney.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for
to-morrow.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, from the committee on the
Judiciary, asking to be discharged from further considera-
tion of the expediency of repealing or amending chapter
187 of the Acts of the year 1879, to suppress pigeon-shoot-
ing and similar sports, and recommending its reference to
the committee on Agriculture. Read and accepted, and
the subject-matter of the order sent up for concurrence
in the reference. Pigeon-
shooting.

By Mr. Stevens of Malden, from the committee on
Military Affairs, that the Bill (on leave) in relation to the
commissions of militia officers ought not to pass. Commissions
of militia
officers.

By Mr. Wales of Randolph, from the committee on
Probate and Chancery, that the Bill (on leave) in relation
to change of names ought not to pass. Names.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for

to-morrow, the question in each case being on the rejection of the bill.

Jane Parks.

By Mr. Sawin of Templeton, from the committee on Claims, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Jane Parks. Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Alden Emery Company.

By Mr. Fuller of Framingham, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Alden Emery Company.

Arbitration.

By Mr. Howard of Fall River, from the committee on Labor, on an order, a Resolve relative to industrial conciliation and arbitration.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Revision of the Statutes.

The order relative to the appointment of a committee on the Revision of the Statutes, reported by the committee on the disposition of the Governor's address, adopted by the House and sent to the Senate for concurrence, came down concurred, with the following-named gentlemen appointed as the committee on the part of the Senate:—

Messrs. Knowlton of Hampden, Crocker of Suffolk, Fuller of Suffolk, Rice of Essex, Bennett of Suffolk, Hastings of Worcester, Winship of Middlesex, Cook of Hampshire.

The Speaker appointed the following-named gentlemen the committee on the part of the House:—

Messrs. Bowerman of Pittsfield, Baker of Beverly, Brackett of Boston, Hill of Boston, Higginson of Cambridge, Merritt of Springfield, Wardwell of Peabody, Bugbee of Boston, Swift of Yarmouth, Mellen of Worcester, Thomas of Brookline, Root of Barre, Hayden of Woburn, O'Neil of Boston, Wells of Cambridge, Butler of Somerville, Morse of Newton, Shepard of Boston, Warren of Waltham, Brown of Boston, White of Taunton, Rand of Medford, Sprague of Boston, Prouty of Spencer, and Tappan of Manchester.

Orders of the Day.

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The Bill to incorporate the American Loan and Trust Company was further considered. The pending amendments moved by Messrs. Thomas of Brookline, Tufts of Boston, and Hill of Boston, were adopted, and the bill as amended was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending article 3 of the amendments to the Constitution, so that the payment of a tax shall not be required as a qualification to vote, was further considered. Mr. McGeough of Boston moved to amend by substituting for the report a Resolve providing for an Amendment to the Constitution, relative to the qualification of voters for governor, lieutenant-governor, senators, and representatives.

On this question, at the request of Mr. Galvin of Boston, the yeas and nays were ordered, and, the roll being called, the amendment was lost by a vote of 41 yeas to 142 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Andrew, John F.
Bowerman, Samuel W.
Brown, William B.
Burke, William J.
Carroll, Lewis.
Cawley, Edward.
Cleveland, Tristram.
Cogswell, William.
Cronin, Cornelius F.
Dever, John F.
Donovan, Daniel.
Fay, Thomas, jun.
Forbes, William T.
Galvin, Owen A.
Gill, Charles L.
Hamlin, Joseph P.
Higginson, Thomas W.
Howard, Robert.
Joyce, John.
Kelly, Francis B.
Lamb, Abraham J.

Messrs. Lodge, Henry C.
Love, John J.
McCullough, Thomas.
McDonald, Patrick F.
McGahey, Alexander B.
McGeough, James A.
Mellen, James H.
Merritt, Christopher C.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
O'Donnell, John.
O'Neil, Joseph H.
Plunkett, Francis.
Quirk, Dennis G.
Reade, John.
Robbins, Oliver W.
Stanton, John.
Steele, Isaac A. S.
Sullivan, John C.
Walker, Samuel.
White, James.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, Charles H.
Allen, Frank D.
Almy, James F.
Ames, Edwin.
Bail, George W.
Bailey, Thomas F.
Baker, Thomas J.
Barton, Leonard.
Bidwell, Marshall S.

Messrs. Bixby, Nelson H.
Bosworth, Edwin R.
Brown, Charles F.
Brown, Edward P.
Brown, Leonard.
Bryant, George T.
Buck, John W. P.
Bugbee, James M.
Bulloch, Andrew.

Messrs. Bumstead, Josiah.

Burpees, William H.
 Burr, Edwin S.
 Burr, Frank W.
 Burt, George L.
 Butler, John Haskell.
 Carleton, George H.
 Carpenter, Edward C.
 Chamberlain, George D.
 Clapp, Frank A.
 Clark, William L.
 Clarke, Albert E.
 Coffin, Amos.
 Colton, John W.
 Coney, Hubert M.
 Coolidge, Timothy A.
 Crandall, George N.
 Curtis, Hiram.
 Cushman, Solomon F.
 Davenport, James F.
 Dickerman, John E.
 Dorman, Asahel H.
 Eager, Edward R.
 Eddy, Charles A.
 Edwards, James.
 Evans, James M.
 Farrar, Job P.
 Fay, George F.
 Fellows, Alonzo B.
 Fernald, B. Marvin.
 Fifield, Benjamin L.
 Fiske, George B.
 Floyd, Thomas.
 Fowler, Charles B.
 French, Hartwell S.
 Fuller, Luther F.
 Gaskill, Leonard T.
 Gifford, Rufus B.
 Goodwin, John.
 Goulding, Robert.
 Hadley, Stephen D.
 Hale, Silas W.
 Hartwell, Samuel C.
 Hatch, Silas B.
 Hayden, Edward D.
 Hemphill, Ashton E.
 Hill, Hamilton A.
 Holman, William F.
 Hooper, Arthur.
 Howland, Charles W.

Messrs. Hughes, Atkins.

Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
 Jefferson, Martin V. B.
 Jewett, Albert G.
 Johnson, William.
 Jones, Thomas B.
 Keith, Albert.
 Learnard, George E.
 Lincoln, Clark.
 Livermore, George B.
 Look, Dwight B.
 Lyon, Henry.
 Mansfield, Andrew.
 Marshall, Asaph R.
 Metcalf, Edwin D.
 Miller, J. Hervey.
 Milliken, Eben C.
 Morrison, Daniel T.
 Muzzey, Henry W.
 Newell, Richard.
 Noyes, Increase E.
 Paddack, Henry.
 Parratt, George A.
 Peck, Chauncey E.
 Phillips, Henry M.
 Poor, Edward P.
 Porter, Burrill, jun.
 Porter, Charles H.
 Porter, Vaniah M.
 Prouty, Isaac L.
 Rand, John C.
 Reed, Charles A.
 Rice, Frederick S.
 Richardson, Nath'l, jun.
 Richardson, Solon O.
 Root, Thomas P.
 Russell, William W.
 Sanborn, John H.
 Sawin, Otis D.
 Sawyer, Henry O.
 Scott, Thomas.
 Searles, George F.
 Shepard, George A.
 Shepard, Harvey N.
 Sheppard, Joel F.
 Smith, Remember.
 Smith, Zenas E.
 Snow, William O.
 Sprague, Henry H.
 Stevens, Edward G.

Messrs. Stevens, Ezra A.	Messrs. Vinal, Quincy A.
Stickney, Joseph W.	Wales, Jonathan.
Stover, Augustus W.	Walker, Aaron G.
Stowe, Edmund M.	Wardwell, Henry.
Swift, Charles F.	Warren, Nathan.
Tapley, Gilbert A.	Webster, Edwin R.
Tappan, William H.	Wells, Henry J.
Thayer, S. Proctor.	White, Lloyd E.
Thomas, Edward I.	Whitney, Levi L.
Tufts, Arthur W.	Willcutt, Levi L.
Tufts, Joseph A.	Wilson, Arthur H.
Valpey, Samuel B.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.

Yeas, 41 ; nays, 142.

On this question Messrs. Baker of Beverly, Vining of Conway, and McSorley of Cambridge, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Hoar of Concord, Morse of Newton, and Lawrence of Groton.

The report was then accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law for a uniform fee, not to exceed ten dollars, to be charged to hawkers or peddlers, was, on motion of Mr. Dever of Boston, recommitted to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, with instructions to give a hearing.

The Bill concerning the payment of laborers' wages by cities was, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

Reports of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to reducing the number of judges of the superior court of the Commonwealth ; and

On an order relative to amending or striking out section 19 of chapter 165 of the General Statutes, concerning the crime of blasphemy ;

Were severally accepted.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 12 of chapter 131 of the General Statutes, concerning the credibility of witnesses, by striking out the final clause, was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, pending a

motion of the same gentleman to amend by substituting for the report a "Bill to amend section 12 of chapter 181 of the General Statutes, concerning the credibility of witnesses."

Reports of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to prohibiting the election of a stockholder in the Boston and Albany Railroad as State director of said road ; and

On an order relative to making up and running railroad trains over the public streets of Boston and vicinity ;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Reports:

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to co-operative saving-fund and loan associations ; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, who were instructed to inquire whether chapter 89 of the Resolves of the year 1878 has been complied with ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Bills:

In relation to the appointment of a probation officer in the city of Boston ; and

Extending the provisions of chapter 129 of the Acts of the year 1880 to persons imprisoned in the House of Industry, and giving certain powers to the board of directors for public institutions of the city of Boston ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to registers of probate and insolvency was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, and pending the consideration of an amendment moved by Mr. Cogswell of Salem to substitute a new section for section 1, further consideration of the matter was postponed until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Shepard of Boston.

The Bill to change the name of the Holmes Hole Union Wharf Company was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At ten minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 9, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, petition of E. W. Bull and others; and, by Mr. Rice of Florida, petition of Kendall Kemp and others, — severally for an experiment station at the Agricultural College.

Experiment station.

By Mr. Root of Barre, petition of Henry C. Angell and others in aid of the petition for the incorporation of the Massachusetts Milk Association.

Massachusetts Milk Association.

By Mr. Rice of Florida, petition of Kendall Kemp and others, in aid of the petition for a bounty on foxes.

Foxes.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, petition of Spencer Leonard and others for encouragement of the cultivation of the sugar-beet.

Sugar-beets.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Taylor of Haverhill, petition of W. W. Spaulding and others for a law allowing school committees to elect teachers to serve for a term of years, or during good behavior.

Teachers.

By Mr. Steele of Gloucester, remonstrance of Joseph Garland, mayor of Gloucester, and others, against restricting the authority of school committees as to expenditures.

School committees.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Cleveland of Cottage City, remonstrance of Charles Mayhew and others against the proposed legislation giving certain rights to riparian owners on Great Pond in Edgartown.

Edgartown Great Pond.

By Mr. Richardson of Rockport, remonstrance of Andrews, Rich, & Company, against any change in the law relative to taking fish by pounds, fykes, etc.

Taking of fish.

Severally referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

By Mr. O'Neil of Boston, remonstrance of E. J. Stevens and others; by Mr. Cannon of Boston, remonstrance of Abbot Walker and others; by Mr. Jones of Chelsea, remonstrance of B. I. Haskell and others; and, by Mr. Dever of Boston, remonstrance of Lawrence D. Welby and others, — severally against the bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the city of Boston.

Pharmacy.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Health.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

*Orders.*Committee on
Roads and
Bridges.

On motion of Mr. Morrison of Methuen,—
Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the investigation of matters referred to them.
 Sent up for concurrence.

State directors.

On motion of Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater,—
Ordered, That during the convention for the election of directors of the Boston and Albany Railroad no person but members and officers of the Legislature shall be allowed on the floor of the House.

*Papers from the Senate.*Clerk of secre-
tary of Board of
Agriculture.

The order adopted by the House Feb. 2, instructing the committee on Agriculture to consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the clerk of the secretary of the Board of Agriculture, came down concurred, with an amendment striking out the word "Agriculture," and inserting in place thereof "Expenditures," in which amendment the House concurred.

Taunton lunatic-
hospital.

A petition of the trustees of Taunton lunatic-hospital, asking for an appropriation of \$3,000 for building an addition to the hospital, was referred in concurrence to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Liquors.

A petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Boston and 75 other unions in the State, praying that women may have the right to vote upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, was referred in concurrence to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Taken from the Table.

Lynn.

On motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Lynn for an amendment of the charter of said city, was taken from the table, and accepted.

Joint Convention.

State directors.

Pursuant to assignment, the two branches met in convention for the purpose of choosing two directors, on the part of the Commonwealth, of the Boston and Albany Railroad Corporation; and Messrs. Whiton, Allen, and Rockwell, of the Senate, and Messrs. Brown of Marblehead, Hill

of Boston, Cushman of Monson, Plunkett of Worcester, Burr of Fall River, Peck of Wilbraham, Wilcox of Boston, and Hemphill of Holyoke, on the part of the House, were appointed a committee to receive, assort, and count the votes therefor.

Subsequently, Mr. Whiton, from the above-named committee, submitted a report, by which it appeared that the whole number of ballots was 257, and that Francis B. Hayes of Boston had 165, Theodore C. Bates of North Brookfield had 160, Mahlon D. Spaulding of Boston had 152, A. D. S. Bell of Newton had 25. And Messrs. Francis B. Hayes and Theodore C. Bates were declared to be elected.

The two branches then separated.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the exemption of firemen from military or jury duty, after a service of fifteen years in the fire department.

Firemen.

By Mr. White of Taunton, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the appointment of associate judges of probate and insolvency in certain counties of the Commonwealth.

Associate judges of probate.

By Mr. Miller of Westminster, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation relating to cutting bushes, briars, thistles, noxious weeds, etc., on the highways.

Bushes, etc.

By Mr. Root of Barre, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frederick O. Prince, mayor of Boston, for amendment of chapter 113 of the Acts of the year 1880, providing for the appointment of inspectors of vinegar.

Vinegar.

By Mr. Tinkham of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Francis E. Burton for State aid.

Francis E. Burton.

By Mr. Marble of Freetown, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of Adelia T. Jones for State aid.

Adelia T. Jones.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill (recommitted) amending the charter of the city of Boston by repealing the pro-

Meetings of legal voters in Boston.

vision therein for general meetings of the legal voters ought not to pass.

Transfer of
stock.

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill concerning transfer of stock and bonds by trustees ought not to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question in each case being on the rejection of the bill.

Josephine A.
Wyatt.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Josephine A. Wyatt. Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Military drill.

By Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, from the committee on Education, on an order relative to calisthenics, and an order relative to military drill in the public schools, a Bill to encourage physical exercises in public schools.

Lowell
aldermen.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to increase the number of the board of aldermen of the city of Lowell.

Crosby Steam-
Gauge Com-
pany.

By Mr. Fiske of Holliston, from the committee on Claims, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Crosby Steam-Gauge and Valve Company.

Negligence by
railroad
corporations.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order relative to recovery by actions of tort of penalties for loss of life by negligence of railroad corporations, a Bill providing for the trial of actions against railroad corporations for loss of life by negligence.

Local option.

By Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to a local option law, a Bill in addition to "An Act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors" (Mr. Quigley of the Senate, and Mr. White of the House, dissenting).

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

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day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the credibility of witnesses, was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Reports of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to providing that officers who are paid for their services by a fixed compensation shall not receive fees in addition thereto ;

On an order relative to filling vacancies in the board of aldermen of the city of Boston ;

On an order relative to dispensing with a fee at the entry of actions in the district and police courts ; and

On an order relative to abolishing entry fees for police, municipal, and district courts ; and the

Report of the committee on Probate and Chancery, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowance of amendments to reasons of appeal in probate courts ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Israel Putnam and others for a law providing for the appointment of inspectors of vinegar ; and

On the petition of the Marshfield Agricultural Society for an act enabling said society to mortgage its property ; and

Reports :

Of the committee on Claims, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William Walsh for relief for injuries sustained by suits in his absence while a soldier in the late war ; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Catherine Cooney for State aid ;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill (on leave) in relation to change of names was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Chancery.

The Bill (on leave) in relation to the commissions of militia officers was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Military Affairs, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Resolution regarding the revival of American commerce was passed in concurrence.

Bills :

To change the name of the Alden Emery Company ;

To repeal certain statutes relating to proving fire-arms ; and

To authorize the Hamilton Manufacturing Company to increase its capital stock ; and the

Resolve relative to industrial conciliation and arbitration ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To incorporate the American Loan and Trust Company, and

In relation to the appointment of a probation officer in the city of Boston ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to registers of probate and insolvency was further considered, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading. The pending amendment of Mr. Cogswell of Salem to strike out section one and insert, instead, a new section, was adopted. A further amendment moved by the same gentleman to amend the title so that it should read, "Bill concerning practice in probate courts and courts of insolvency," was also adopted. The bill was then rejected.

Resolution on the Death of a Member.

Josiah F. Stone.

Mr. Hayden of Woburn, from the committee appointed to attend the funeral of Josiah F. Stone of Winchester, representative from the Fourteenth Middlesex District, and prepare resolutions of respect in honor of deceased, reported that they had attended to that duty, and presented the following memorandum and resolution, which were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Resolution on the Death of Josiah F. Stone of Winchester.

The House of Representatives has heard with regret of the death of one of its members, Josiah F. Stone of Winchester, representative of the Fourteenth Middlesex District.

Mr. Stone had gained an honorable record as a representative to the General Court of 1879, and his death has deprived this House of a valuable and experienced member. He brought to the consideration of important duties a mind well drilled in business affairs, a sound judgment, a high sense of honor, and a marked ability, which were useful to the Commonwealth. A positive and outspoken man, he made himself felt in all the walks of life of a good citizen. Well informed in the official duties of his own town, many important trusts were conferred upon him, which, by his strict integrity and good common sense, were faithfully executed, and the community in which he lived has lost a benevolent and public-spirited citizen.

Resolved, That the House of Representatives, deeply sympathizing with his family in their great bereavement, and with the district which he so ably represented, places on record this expression of its appreciation of his public services and manly virtues.

Mr. Hayden moved that a copy of the above be sent to the family of the deceased. The motion was adopted, and, on a further motion of the same gentleman, the House,

At four o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, Feb. 10, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Bryant of Russell, remonstrance of A. M. Copeland and others against restricting the right of school committees as to expenditures. School committees.

By Mr. Morse of Newton, petitions of Charles F. Rogers and 27 others, and of N. P. Gage and 19 others; and, by Mr. Albee of Cambridge, petition of Lyman R. Williston and others, — severally for a law allowing school committees to elect teachers to serve for a term of years, or during good behavior. Teachers.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Cleveland of Cottage City, remonstrance of Lorenzo D. Smith and others against granting certain rights to riparian owners on Great Pond in Edgartown. Referred to the committee on the Fisheries. Great Pond, Edgartown.

By Mr. Canterbury of Weymouth, remonstrance of Reuben Loud & Sons and others against the petition of the town of Weymouth for authority to take water from Great Pond. Weymouth.

By Mr. Carleton of Georgetown, remonstrance of L. H. Bateman and others against the proposed bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy. Pharmacy.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, petition of the selectmen of Halifax in aid of the petition for a law prohibiting the discharge of sewage of the Bridgewater Normal School into Town River. Town River.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Carleton of Georgetown, petition of Warren Ordway and others, and of J. Q. Gilman and others, — severally in aid of the petition for a bridge over the Merrimack River, between Haverhill and Bradford. Haverhill and Bradford bridge.

Severally referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Look of Leominster, petition of G. L. Swett and 92 others for woman suffrage. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Joseph M. Day.

By Mr. Freeman of Wellfleet, petition of W. W. Knowles and 100 others; and, by Mr. Lincoln of Barnstable, petition of John F. Cornish and 188 others, — severally for removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate for Barnstable County.

Severally referred to the special committee on that subject.

Order.

Naturalization.

The following order, offered by Mr. Hartwell of Southbridge, was referred, under the 10th joint Rule, to the next General Court: —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 123 of the General Statutes so as to provide more definitely for record of the time of filing primary declarations and other proceedings regarding naturalization under said act.

Taken from the Files.

Arsenical wall-
papers.

On motion of Mr. McSorley of Cambridge, the Bill to prohibit the sale of arsenical wall-papers was taken from the files, referred to the committee on Public Health, and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

State directors.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the clerk of the Senate give notice to Francis B. Hayes of Boston, and Theodore C. Bates of North Brookfield, that they have been duly elected directors, on the part of the Commonwealth, of the Boston and Albany Railroad Corporation for the term of two years; also, that he give notice to the clerk of said corporation of the election of the above-named gentlemen.

Judgment-
debtors.

A Bill to repeal chapter 250 of the Acts of the year 1877, relating to the arrest and examination of judgment-debtors, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Taxation com-
mission of 1876.

A Resolve relating to the printing of an additional number of copies of the commissioner's report of 1875, on taxation, reported on an order, passed to be engrossed by

the Senate, was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

A Resolve relating to the distribution of certain documents, reported on a resolve introduced on leave in the Senate, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Public documents on sale.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compelling railroad corporations to build highway bridges over much frequented streets, across which such railroads pass, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Highway bridges over railroads.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. H. Richards and others of Lynn for amendment of the charter of said city, relative to the number of the common council.

Lynn charter.

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joshua Emmons and others for the passage of an act allowing keepers of personal property, when attached, compensation for night service.

Keepers.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reducing the fees of officers for serving trustee writs.

Trustee writs.

By Mr. Brown of Reading, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. H. Jessop and others for incorporation as the Winthrop Gas Company.

Winthrop Gas Company.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Sanborn of Newton, from the committee on Banks and Banking, no legislation necessary, on the report of the receivers of the Sandwich Savings Bank. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Sandwich Savings Bank.

By Mr. Quirk of Boston, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition of J. Frank Tilton, that the draws in the bridges on the Merrimack River, below Haverhill, may be widened, and recommending its reference to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands. Read, accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Draws in Merrimack-river bridges.

Isadora F.
Lincoln.

By Mr. Merritt of Springfield, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Isadora F. Lincoln ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Massachusetts
Central Rail-
road.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relative to the location of the road of the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company.

Trustee costs.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, from the same committee, on an order relative to the trustee process when the amount assessed as damages does not exceed ten dollars, a Bill concerning costs under the trustee process.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making additional appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1880.

J. W. R.
Sawin.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of John William Robert Sawin ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Office hours in
treasury.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Expenditures, on an order, a Bill in relation to office hours of the treasury department.

Connecticut-
river fisheries.

By Mr. Davenport of Fall River, from the committee on the Fisheries, on a petition of James Kirkham and others, a Bill to amend the law regulating fishing in the Connecticut River and its tributaries.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Transfer of
stock and bonds.

On motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston, the Senate Bill concerning transfer of stock and bonds by trustees was discharged from the orders of the day, and, on his further motion, was postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day, the question being on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

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day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the exemption of firemen from military or jury duty ; and

Of the committee on Probate and Chancery, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the appointment of associate judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports of the committee on Agriculture:

Inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation relating to cutting bushes, etc., on the highways; and

Leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frederick O. Prince, mayor of Boston, for amendment of the law providing for the appointment of inspectors of vinegar; and

Reports of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw:

On the petition of Francis E. Burton for State aid; and

On the petition of Adelia T. Jones for State aid;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to increase the number of the board of aldermen of the city of Lowell; and the

Resolve in favor of the Crosby Steam-Gauge and Valve Company;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to change the name of the Alden Emery Company was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To repeal certain statutes relating to the proving of fire-arms; and

To authorize the Hamilton Manufacturing Company to increase its capital stock;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Resolve providing for amendments to the Constitution to provide for biennial elections was further considered. Mr. Shepard of Boston, chairman of the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported the proposed articles of amendment as correctly drawn, but recommended the adoption of a substitute for the preliminary resolve, as follows:—

Resolved, By both Houses, the same being agreed to by a majority of the Senate and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, that it is expedient to alter the Constitution of this Commonwealth by adopting the subjoined articles of amendment, the same having been agreed to by the last General Court in manner and form provided by the Constitution, that they may be submitted to the people as distinct propositions for their ratification, in order that they

may become parts of the Constitution of this Commonwealth.

The report was accepted, and the resolve recommended was substituted.

After extended debate, the close of which was fixed at quarter before five o'clock, on motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, the question was taken on agreeing to the first article of amendment, providing for biennial elections of the Governor and other State officers; and, the roll being called, it was not agreed to, four-fifths of the representatives present and voting not having voted in the affirmative. The vote was 111 yeas and 86 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs.		Messrs.	
Albee, Sumner.		Donovan, Daniel.	
Allen, Charles H.		Dorman, Asahel H.	
Allen, Frank D.		Dunham, Henry J.	
Andrew, John F.		Eager, Edward R.	
Avery, Winslow W.		Farrar, Job P.	
Bail, George W.		Fay, George F.	
Bailey, Thomas F.		Fernald, B. Marvin.	
Baker, Thomas J.		Fifield, Benjamin L.	
Bidwell, Marshall S.		Floyd, Thomas.	
Bixby, Nelson H.		Forbes, William T.	
Bowerman, Samuel W.		Foster, Enoch.	
Brackett, John Q. A.		Gaskill, Leonard T.	
Brown, Leonard.		Gifford, James E.	
Brown, William B.		Gifford, Rufus B.	
Budington, Jonathan.		Goulding, Robert.	
Bugbee, James M.		Hale, Silas W.	
Bulloch, Andrew.		Hatch, Silas B.	
Burpee, William H.		Hayden, Edward D.	
Butler, Edward P.		Hemphill, Ashton E.	
Butler, John Haskell.		Hill, Hamilton A.	
Canterbury, Nathan D.		Hooper, Arthur.	
Carleton, George H.		Jacobs, Joseph, jun.	
Chamberlain, George D.		Jefferson, Martin V. B.	
Clapp, Frank A.		Johnson, William.	
Clark, William L.		Jones, Thomas B.	
Coolidge, Timothy A.		Keith, Albert.	
Corey, Charles A.		Lawrence, Asa S.	
Crandall, George N.		Learnard, George E.	
Curtis, Hiram.		Lincoln, Clark.	
Cushman, Solomon F.		Livermore, George B.	
Davenport, James F.		Lodge, Henry C.	
Davis, Person.		Marshall, Asaph R.	

Messrs. Miller, J. Hervey.
 Milliken, Eben C.
 Morse, George W.
 Muzzey, Henry W.
 Newell, Richard.
 Noyes, Increase E.
 Packard, Davis S.
 Paddack, Henry.
 Parmenter, Charles O.
 Phillips, Henry M.
 Poor, Edward P.
 Porter, Burrill, jun.
 Richardson, Solon O.
 Sanborn, John H.
 Sawyer, Henry O.
 Scott, Thomas.
 Searles, George F.
 Shepard, Harvey N.
 Sheppard, Joel F.
 Slocum, Henry A.
 Smith, Remember.
 Smith, Zenas E.
 Sprague, Henry H.
 Stevens, Edward G.

Messrs. Stevens, Ezra A.
 Stevens, J. Tyler.
 Stickney, Joseph W.
 Stover, Augustus W.
 Stowe, Edmund M.
 Tapley, Gilbert A.
 Tappan, William H.
 Thomas, Edward I.
 Tinkham, Benjamin C.
 Tufts, Arthur W.
 Tufts, Joseph A.
 Valpey, Samuel B.
 Vinal, Quincy A.
 Wales, Jonathan.
 Walker, Aaron G.
 Wardwell, Henry.
 Warren, Nathan.
 Webster, John G.
 Wells, Henry J.
 White, Lloyd E.
 Whitney, Giles H.
 Whitney, Levi L.
 Willcutt, Levi L.

NAYS.

Messrs. Almy, James F.
 Ames, Edwin.
 Atwood, Newell S.
 Baker, John I.
 Barton, Leonard.
 Beckford, Ebenezer.
 Bosworth, Edwin R.
 Bryant, George T.
 Buck, John W. P.
 Burke, William J.
 Burr, Edwin S.
 Burr, Frank W.
 Cannon, Peter.
 Carpenter, Edward C.
 Carroll, Lewis.
 Cawley, Edward.
 Clarke, Albert E.
 Cleveland, Tristram.
 Cogswell, William.
 Colton, John W.
 Cronin, Cornelius F.
 Crowell, James A.
 Dever, John F.

Messrs. Eddy, Charles A.
 Edwards, James.
 Fay, Thomas, jun.
 Fellows, Alonzo B.
 Fowler, Charles B.
 Freeman, Jesse H.
 French, Hartwell S.
 Fuller, Luther F.
 Galvin, Owen A.
 Gargan, Frank.
 Gill, Charles L.
 Gilman, Thomas K.
 Goodwin, John.
 Hadley, Stephen D.
 Hamlin, Joseph P.
 Hartwell, Samuel C.
 Higginson, Thomas W.
 Hoar, Samuel.
 Howard, Robert.
 Hughes, Atkins.
 Jenks, Henry R.
 Jewett, Albert G.
 Joyce, John.

Messrs. Kelly, Francis B.	Messrs. Peck, Chauncey E.
Kelley, Watson B.	Plunkett, Francis.
Kendall, Ira Y.	Quirk, Dennis G.
Love, John J.	Reade, John.
Mackintosh, James.	Reed, Charles A.
Mansfield, Andrew.	Richardson, Nat'l, jun.
McCullough, Thomas.	Russell, William W.
McDonald, Patrick F.	Sawin, Otis D.
McFarlin, Peleg.	Shepard, George A.
McGahay, Alexander B.	Stanton, John.
McGeough, James A.	Strong, Sidney.
McManus, Edward.	Sullivan, John C.
McSorley, John.	Swift, Charles F.
Mellen, James H.	Thayer, S. Proctor.
Merritt, Christopher C.	Vining, David T.
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Walker, Samuel.
Mullane, Jeremiah H.	Webster, Edwin R.
Murphy, Timothy A.	White, James.
O'Donnell, John.	Wilson, Arthur H.
O'Neil, Joseph H.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.

Yeas, 111 ; nays, 86.

On this question, Messrs. Burt of Boston, Prouty of Spencer, Root of Barre, Robbins of Pittsfield, Look of Leominster, and Metcalf of Springfield, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Lamb of Boston, Mahoney of Boston, Rice of Florida, Steele of Gloucester, Porter of Rowe, and Rand of Medford.

The question was then taken on agreeing to the second article of amendment, providing for biennial elections of members of the Legislature; and, the roll being called, it was not agreed to, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative. The vote was 82 yeas to 98 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.	Messrs. Budington, Jonathan.
Allen, Charles H.	Bulloch, Andrew.
Bail, George W.	Burpee, William H.
Bailey, Thomas F.	Butler, Edward P.
Baker, Thomas J.	Butler, John Haskell.
Bidwell, Marshall S.	Carleton, George H.
Bixby, Nelson H.	Chamberlain, Geo. D.
Brackett, John Q. A.	Clapp, Frank A.
Brown, Leonard.	Clark, William L.
Brown, William B.	Curtis, Hiram.

Messrs. Davenport, James F.	Messrs. Poor, Edward P.
Davis, Person.	Richardson, Solon O.
Eager, Edward R.	Sanborn, John H.
Farrar, Job P.	Sawyer, Henry O.
Fay, George F.	Scott, Thomas.
Fernald, B. Marvin.	Slocum, Henry A.
Fifield, Benjamin L.	Smith, Zenas E.
Floyd, Thomas.	Sprague, Henry H.
Forbes, William T.	Stevens, Edward G.
Foster, Enoch.	Stevens, Ezra A.
Gaskill, Leonard T.	Stevens, J. Tyler.
Gifford, James E.	Stickney, Joseph W.
Gifford, Rufus B.	Stover, Augustus W.
Goulding, Robert.	Stowe, Edmund M.
Hatch, Silas B.	Tapley, Gilbert A.
Hemphill, Ashton E.	Tappan, William H.
Hill, Hamilton A.	Thomas, Edward I.
Hooper, Arthur.	Tinkham, Benjamin C.
Jefferson, Martin V. B.	Tufts, Arthur W.
Johnson, William.	Tufts, Joseph A.
Jones, Thomas B.	Valpey, Samuel B.
Lawrence, Asa S.	Vinal, Quincy A.
Learnard, George E.	Walker, Aaron G.
Lincoln, Clark.	Wardwell, Henry.
Livernore, George B.	Warren, Nathan.
Marshall, Asaph R.	Webster, John G.
Miller, J. Hervey.	Wells, Henry J.
Muzzey, Henry W.	White, Lloyd E.
Noyes, Increase E.	Whitney, Giles H.
Paddack, Henry.	Whitney, Levi L.
Phillips, Henry M.	Willcutt, Levi L.

NATS.

Messrs. Allen, Frank D.	Messrs. Carpenter, Edward C.
Almy, James F.	Carroll, Lewis.
Ames, Edwin.	Cawley, Edward.
Atwood, Newell S.	Clarke, Albert E.
Baker, John I.	Cleveland, Tristram.
Barton, Leonard.	Cogswell, William.
Beckford, Ebenezer.	Colton, John W.
Bosworth, Edwin R.	Corey, Charles A.
Bryant, George T.	Cronin, Cornelius F.
Buck, John W. P.	Crowell, James A.
Bugbee, James M.	Cushman, Solomon F.
Burke, William J.	Dever, John F.
Burr, Edwin S.	Donovan, Daniel.
Burr, Frank W.	Dorman, Asahel H.
Cannon, Peter.	Eddy, Charles A.
Canterbury, Nathan D.	Edwards, James.

Messrs. Fay, Thomas, jun.	Messrs. McSorley, John.
Fellows, Alonzo B.	Mellen, James H.
Fowler, Charles B.	Merritt, Christopher C.
Freeman, Jesse H.	Milliken, Eben C.
French, Hartwell S.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Fuller, Luther F.	Mullane, Jeremiah H.
Galvin, Owen A.	Murphy, Timothy A.
Gargan, Frank.	O'Donnell, John.
Gill, Charles L.	O'Neil, Joseph H.
Gilman, Thomas K.	Peck, Chauncey E.
Goodwin, John.	Plunkett, Francis.
Hadley, Stephen D.	Porter, Burrill, jun.
Hale, Silas W.	Quirk, Dennis G.
Hamlin, Joseph P.	Reade, John.
Hartwell, Samuel C.	Reed, Charles A.
Higginson, Thomas W.	Richardson, Nat'l, jun.
Hoar, Samuel.	Russell, William W.
Howard, Robert.	Sawin, Otis D.
Hughes, Atkins.	Searles, George F.
Jenks, Henry R.	Shepard, George A.
Jewett, Albert G.	Shepard, Harvey N.
Joyce, John.	Stanton, John.
Kelly, Francis B.	Strong, Sidney.
Kelley, Watson B.	Sullivan, John C.
Kendall, Ira Y.	Swift, Charles F.
Love, John J.	Thayer, S. Proctor.
Mackintosh, James.	Vining, David T.
Mansfield, Andrew.	Wales, Jonathan.
McCullough, Thomas.	Walker, Samuel.
McDonald, Patrick F.	Webster, Edwin R.
McFarlin, Peleg.	White, James.
McGahey, Alexander B.	Wilson, Arthur H.
McGeough, James A.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.

Yeas, 82 ; nays, 98.

On this question Messrs. Lyon of Boston, Dunham of Stockbridge, Look of Leominster, Metcalf of Springfield, and Jacobs of Hingham, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Hayden of Woburn, Crandall of Attleborough, Porter of Rowe, Rand of Medford, and Smith of Rehoboth.

At twenty minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

FRIDAY, Feb. 11, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Stowe of Hudson, petition of John Robbins and others; by Mr. Bosworth of East Hampton, petition of C. P. Gridley and others; and, by Mr. Dorman of Belcher-town, petition of W. B. Kimball and others, — severally for the establishment of an agricultural experiment station.

Experiment station.

By Mr. Root of Barre, petition of Elbridge Cushman and others in aid of the petition for incorporation of the "Massachusetts Milk Association."

Massachusetts Milk Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, petition of A. C. Stone and others; and, by Mr. Fiske of Holliston, petition of A. E. Chamberlain and others, — severally in aid of the petition of John A. Hawes, relative to making Memorial Day a legal holiday.

Memorial Day.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Wilson of Boston, petition of Sarah H. Tucker-man and 2,369 others for an amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the manufacture or sale, as beverages, of all intoxicating liquors. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Liquors.

By Mr. Eager of Canton, remonstrance of George Skinner and others; by Mr. O'Neil of Boston, remonstrance of Fred. A. Gould and others; and, by Mr. Sawyer of West Boylston, remonstrance of O. B. Wyman and others, — severally against the proposed bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy.

Pharmacy.

By Mr. Coffin of Newburyport, petition of the mayor of Newburyport in aid of the petition of the Newburyport Water Company for amendment of its charter.

Newburyport Water Com-
pany.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Quirk of Boston, remonstrance of D. R. Bennett and others against the construction of a bridge over Mer-rimack River, between Haverhill and Bradford. Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Haverhill and
Bradford
bridge.

By Mr. Brown of Boston, petition of Harriet A. Rogers and others; and, by Mr. Burt of Boston, petition of Mary A. Carleton and 48 others, — severally for woman suf-frage.

Woman
suffrage.

Women voting
for school com-
mittees.

By Mr. Sawin of Templeton, petition of the school committee of Petersham in aid of the petition of William I. Bowditch and others for amendment of the law allowing women to vote for school committees.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Joseph M. Day.

By Mr. Lincoln of Barnstable, petition of Seth Rich and others, and of David Bursley and others,—severally for removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate for Barnstable County.

Severally referred to the special committee on that subject.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Albee of Cambridge,—

Thirtieth Mid-
dlessex District.

Ordered, That the committee on Elections, in the matter of the petition of Claflin and others for recount of votes in the Thirtieth Middlesex District, have leave to report in print.

Paper from the Senate.

M. B. Chick-
ering.

The report of the committee on Claims, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Martha B. Chickering of Worcester for compensation for the support of Nellie McMellen, a child from the State Primary School, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Reports of Committees.

Torts.

By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the speedy trial of actions of tort and other actions for unliquidated damages.

Answers under
trustee process.

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that answers made upon information and belief in actions, under the trustee process, shall not be conclusive.

Waverly
Company.

By Mr. Fuller of Framingham, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Waverly Company for an amendment of its charter.

School taxes.

By Mr. Porter of Attleborough, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to a separate assessment of taxes levied for school purposes.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Sheppard of Braintree, from the committee on Public Health, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the expediency of legislation relative to the collection of sums due cities and towns for the removal of the contents of privies, vaults, and cesspools, and recommending its reference to the committee on the Judiciary. Read, accepted, and sent up for concurrence in the discharge of the committee.

Costs for cleaning vaults, etc.

By Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the expediency of legislation relative to the proper ventilation and heating of factories and workshops, and recommending its reference to the committee on Labor. Read, accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Ventilation, and heating factories, etc.

By Mr. Hayden of Woburn, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for the construction of a double tenement house at the State Prison at Concord ought to pass.

Tenement house at State Prison.

By Mr. Stevens of Malden, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to amend chapter 252 of the Acts of the year 1879, entitled "An Act for the benefit of indigent soldiers and sailors," ought to pass.

State aid.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

By Mr. Freeman of Wellfleet, from the committee on the Fisheries, on a petition, a Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Long Pond Fishing Company in Yarmouth.

Long Pond Fishing Company.

By Mr. Wonson of Gloucester, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, a Bill to amend "An Act to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Essex to lay out a highway and construct a bridge over Ipswich River."

Ipswich-river bridge.

By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, from the committee on Prisons, on an order adopted Jan. 14, in relation to amending the laws in regard to prisons, in part, a Bill in relation to payments of fines and costs to keepers of prisons.

Fines and costs to keepers of prisons.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the annual report of the commissioners of prisons, in part, a Bill in relation to the release of prisoners from the Reformatory Prison for Women.

Release of prisoners from Reformatory Prison.

By Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the New Haven and Northampton Company to issue bonds.

New Haven and Northampton Company.

By Mr. Brown of Marblehead, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill for the consolidation of the Nantasket Beach.

Railroads on Nantasket Beach.

Haverhill and
Groveland
Street Railway
Company.

tasket Beach, the Hull and Nantasket Beach, and the Boston, Hingham, and Hull Railroad Companies.

By Mr. Gifford of Salem, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Haverhill and Groveland Street Railway Company to establish and maintain a ferry across Merrimack River.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

Reports of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of J. H. Richards and others of Lynn for amendment of the charter of said city ; and

On the petition of Joshua Emmons and others for the passage of an act allowing keepers compensation for night service ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reducing the fees of officers for serving trustee writs ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the second proposed amendment as to biennial elections ; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. H. Jessop and others for incorporation as the Winthrop Gas Company ;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compelling railroad corporations to build highway bridges over much frequented streets, was accepted in concurrence.

Bills :

Concerning costs under the trustee process ;

Making additional appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1880 ;

Relative to the location of the road of the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company ;

In relation to office hours of the treasury department ; and

To amend the law regulating fishing in the Connecticut River and its tributaries ; and the

Resolve relating to the distribution of certain documents ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to increase the number of the board of aldermen of the city of Lowell was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 12 of chapter 131 of the General Statutes, concerning the credibility of witnesses, was further considered.

On the pending motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge to substitute for the report a "Bill to amend section 12 of chapter 131 of the General Statutes, concerning the credibility of witnesses," the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of that gentleman; and, the roll being called, the motion to substitute was lost by a vote of 61 yeas to 94 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Andrew, John F.
Atwood, Newell S.
Bailey, Thomas F.
Baker, John I.
Brown, Leonard.
Brown, William B.
Bryant, George T.
Bullock, Andrew.
Butler, John Haskell.
Carleton, George H.
Carroll, Lewis.
Clarke, Albert E.
Collamore, Francis.
Cronin, Cornelius F.
Crowell, James A.
Cushman, Solomon F.
Dever, John F.
Donovan, Daniel.
Farrar, Job P.
Fay, Thomas, jun.
Fellows, Alonzo B.
Fernald, B. Marvin.
French, Hartwell S.
Gill, Charles L.
Gilman, Thomas K.
Goodwin, John.
Goulding, Robert.

Messrs. Hamlin, Joseph P.
Hemphill, Ashton E.
Higginson, Thomas W.
Hooper, Arthur.
Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
Kelly, Francis B.
Lincoln, Clark.
Livermore, George B.
Lyon, Henry.
Mackintosh, James.
Mansfield, Andrew.
McCullough, Thomas.
McGahey, Alexander B.
McManus, Edward.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Newell, Richard.
Nichols, Joseph J.
O'Donnell, John.
Plunkett, Francis.
Porter, Charles H.
Reade, John.
Scott, Thomas.
Shepard, George A.
Sheppard, Joel F.
Steele, Isaac A. S.
Stover, Augustus W.
Tappan, William H.

Messrs. Thompson, Joseph W.	Messrs. Webster, Edwin R.
Vinal, Quincy A.	Whitney, Giles H.
Walker, Samuel.	Wood, Owen.
Warren, Nathan.	

NATS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.	Messrs. Galvin, Owen A.
Allen, Charles H.	Gifford, Rufus B.
Allen, Frank D.	Hale, Silas W.
Almy, James F.	Hatch, Silas B.
Ames, Edwin.	Hill, Hamilton A.
Bail, George W.	Hoar, Samuel.
Baker, Thomas J.	Howland, Charles W.
Bidwell, Marshall S.	Jewett, Albert G.
Bowerman, Samuel W.	Johnson, William.
Brackett, John Q. A.	Jones, Thomas B.
Bradford, Martin L.	Keith, Albert.
Brown, Charles F.	Lawrence, Asa S.
Brown, Edward P.	Look, Dwight B.
Bugbee, James M.	Marshall, Asaph R.
Bumstead, Josiah.	McDonald, Patrick F.
Burpee, William H.	McGeough, James A.
Butler, Edward P.	Miller, J. Hervey.
Cable, Hobart M.	Morrison, Daniel T.
Cannon, Peter.	Mullane, Jeremiah H.
Cawley, Edward.	Muzzey, Henry W.
Clapp, Frank A.	Noyes, Increase E.
Cleveland, Tristram.	O'Neil, Joseph H.
Coffin, Amos.	Parmenter, Charles O.
Cogswell, William.	Poor, Edward P.
Coolidge, Timothy A.	Porter, Burrill, jun.
Corey, Charles A.	Quirk, Dennis G.
Crandall, George N.	Richardson, Nath'l, jun.
Curtis, Hiram.	Robbins, Oliver W.
Davenport, James F.	Sanborn, John H.
Davis, Person.	Sawin, Otis D.
Dickerman, John E.	Shaw, Edward P.
Dunham, Henry J.	Shepard, Harvey N.
Eager, Edward R.	Smith, Zenas E.
Edwards, James.	Snow, William O.
Fay, George F.	Sprague, Henry H.
Fifield, Benjamin L.	Stevens, J. Tyler.
Fiske, George B.	Stickney, Joseph W.
Floyd, Thomas.	Stowe, Edmund M.
Forbes, William T.	Thomas, Edward I.
Foster, Enoch.	Tinkham, Benjamin C.
Fowler, Charles B.	Tufts, Arthur W.
Freeman, Jesse H.	Valpey, Samuel B.
Fuller, Luther F.	Wales, Jonathan.

Messrs. Wardwell, Henry.
Webster, John G.
Wells, Henry J.
White, James.

Messrs. White, Lloyd E.
Whitney, Levi L.
Willcutt, Levi L.
Wilson, Arthur H.

Yeas, 61 ; nays, 94.

On this question Messrs. Swift of Yarmouth, Merritt of Springfield, Burke of Boston, Phillips of Springfield, McFarlin of Carver, Mellen of Worcester, Bosworth of East Hampton, Tufts of Fitchburg, and Hayden of Woburn, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Chamberlain of Cambridge, Stevens of Malden, Rand of Medford, Coney of Springfield, Avery of Plymouth, Metcalf of Springfield, Wonson of Gloucester, Stevens of Clinton, and Sullivan of Middleborough.

The report was then accepted.

The Senate Bill extending the provisions of chapter 129 of the Acts of the year 1880 to persons imprisoned in the House of Industry, and giving certain powers to the board of directors for public institutions of the city of Boston, was read a third time ; and, pending the question on its engrossment, Mr. Shepard of Boston, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, moved to amend by substituting a " Bill relative to the release, on probation, of persons imprisoned in the House of Industry, and giving certain powers to the board of directors for public institutions of the city of Boston." The motion prevailed, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Senate Bill amending the charter of the city of Boston by repealing the provision therein for general meetings of the legal voters was considered, and pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, the House,

At half-past four o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, Feb. 14, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Petitions Presented.***Experiment station.**

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, petition of S. W. Raymond and others; and, by Mr. Holman of Leicester, petition of Ethan Davis and others,—severally for the establishment of an experiment station.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

School committees.

By Mr. Gifford of Salem, remonstrance of John R. Lakeman and 117 others against restricting the right of school committees as to expenditures. Referred to the committee on Education.

Liquor law.

By Mr. Canterbury of Weymouth, petition of Moses S. Page and others in aid of the petition of Harriet E. Clark and others, relative to the liquor law.

Liquors.

By Mr. Almy of Salem, petition of J. L. Gibbs and others for an amendment to the Constitution, prohibiting the manufacture or sale, as beverages, of all intoxicating liquors.

Severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Memorial Day.

By Mr. Valpey of Lynn, petition of H. B. Ripley and others, that Memorial Day be made a legal holiday. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Pharmacy.

By Mr. Fay of Boston, remonstrance of S. C. Coonley and others; and, by Mr. O'Neil of Boston, remonstrance of C. W. Emerson and others,—severally against the proposed bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Health.

Woman suffrage.

By Mr. Bradford of Boston, petition of Henry B. Blackwell and 14 others; and, by Mr. J. G. Webster of Boston, petition of W. W. Merrick and 45 others,—severally for woman suffrage.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Excise tax on insurance.

By Mr. Clark of Worcester, petitions of George A. Brown and others, and George Crompton and others; by Mr. Gifford of Salem, petition of William M. F. Collins and others; by Mr. Stevens of Lowell, petition of O. D. Witherell and others; by Mr. Foster of Tewksbury, petition of Charles A. Stott and others; by Mr. McCullough of Boston, petitions of Silas Sanborn and others, and Franklin Curtis and others; by Mr. Cogswell of Salem, petition of H. P. Moulton and others; by Mr. Farrar of Abington, petition of J. C. Gleason, M.D., and others; by Mr. Clarke of New Bedford, petition of Lawrence Grinnell and others; by Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, petition of Charles L. Ayers and others; by Mr. Thayer of North Adams, petition of

Jarvis Rockwell and others; by Mr. Taylor of Haverhill, petition of George A. Kimball and others; by Mr. Baker of Beverly, petition of Augustus N. Clark and others; by Mr. Beckford of Lynn, petition of J. L. Libby and others; by Mr. Phillips of Springfield, petition of E. Wight and others; by Mr. Strong of Northampton, petition of William P. Strickland and others; and, by Mr. Burr of Fall River, petition of Charles J. Holmes and others, — severally for the repeal of the law imposing an excise tax on life-insurance companies.

By Mr. Quirk of Boston, petition of G. W. Bradford and others for exemption from taxation of shipping engaged in foreign trade. Shipping in foreign trade.

Severally referred to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, remonstrance of the Salem monthly meeting of the Society of Friends against giving the sanction of law to the practice of military drill in the public schools. Placed on file. Military drill.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill relative to the appointment of special sheriffs, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Special sheriffs.

Bills:

To amend section 2 of chapter 170 of the Acts of the year 1866, concerning neglect or refusal of assessors to perform the duties therein set forth (reported on an order); and Assessors.

To amend section 1 of chapter 104 of the Acts of the year 1876, relating to certain returns to the commissioners on inland fisheries (reported on a bill on leave); Returns to fish commissioners.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

The report of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on the forty-ninth report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule. School for the Blind

The following papers were referred in concurrence:—

Petitions of John J. Barton and others, and Dalton Grange No. 23, for an experiment station at the Agricultural College at Amherst. To the committee on Agriculture. Experiment station.

State Library. Report of the librarian of the State Library. To the committee on Education.

Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

In relation to holding funds contributed for the relief of the members of the Boston protective department, and their families;

In further addition to "An Act making appropriations for the maintenance of the government during the present year;"

Authorizing the town of Swampscott to pay a certain claim to John P. Palmer; and

To change the name of the Farmer and Gardner Manufacturing Company;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Engrossed resolves:

In favor of the Boston Beef-Packing Company;

Relating to certain repairs at the State Prison at Concord; and

In favor of John McGrath;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Rights of flowage to ice-cutters.

By Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of J. F. Pope and others, for a law giving to persons engaged in cutting and storing ice greater rights of flowage, and recommending its reference to the committee on the Judiciary. Read, accepted, and sent up for concurrence in the discharge of the committee.

Insurance policies.

By Mr. Porter of Quincy, from the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the countersigning, by an authorized agent, of policies issued in this State by life-insurance companies outside the Commonwealth.

Pawnbrokers.

By Mr. Livermore of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the laws concerning pawnbrokers.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Foster of Tewksbury, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Jane Parks ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Jane Parks.

By Mr. Davenport of Fall River, from the committee on the Fisheries, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the ditching of South Beach in Edgartown, adjacent to Great Pond, and relative to the fisheries in said town.

South Beach,
Duxbury.

By Mr. Rand of Medford, from the committee on Public Health, that the Bill (recommitted) to incorporate the Milford Water Company ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Milford Water
Company.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, the Bill providing for the trial of actions against railroad corporations for loss of life by negligence was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Loss of life on
railroads.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the speedy trial of actions of tort, was accepted.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to answers under the trustee process, was considered. Mr. Morse of Newton moved to substitute a "Bill relating to trustee process," which was ordered to be printed, and, on further motion of the same gentleman, further consideration of the report was postponed until to-morrow.

Reports:

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to a separate assessment of taxes levied for school purposes; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Waverly Company for an amendment of its charter;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Claims, leave to with-

draw, on the petition of Martha B. Chickering of Worcester for compensation for the support of Nellie McMellen, a child from the State Primary School, was accepted in concurrence.

Bills:

To authorize the Haverhill and Groveland Street Railway Company to establish and maintain a ferry across Merrimack River;

Authorizing the New Haven and Northampton Company to issue bonds;

In relation to payments of fines and costs to keepers of prisons;

For the consolidation of the Nantasket Beach, the Hull and Nantasket Beach, and the Boston, Hingham, and Hull Railroad Companies;

To amend the Act to incorporate the Long Pond Fishing Company in Yarmouth;

To amend "An Act to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Essex to lay out a highway, and construct a bridge over Ipswich River;"

In relation to the release of prisoners from the Reformatory Prison for Women; and

To amend chapter 252 of the Acts of the year 1879, entitled "An Act for the benefit of indigent soldiers and sailors;" and

Resolves:

In favor of John William Robert Sawin; and

Providing for the construction of a double tenement house at the State Prison at Concord;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve in favor of Isadora F. Lincoln was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on motion of Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Bills:

Concerning costs under the trustee process;

Making additional appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1880;

Relative to the location of the road of the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company;

In relation to office hours in the treasury department; and

To amend the law regulating fishing in the Connecticut River and its tributaries; and a

Resolve in favor of the Crosby Steam-Gauge and Valve Company ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve relating to the distribution of certain documents was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate Bill amending the charter of the city of Boston by repealing the provision therein for general meetings of the legal voters was further considered, and rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, by a vote of 111 to 48, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to encourage physical exercises in public schools was read a second time, and considered. An amendment moved by Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, providing that no pupil should be compelled to take part in military drill, who, or whose parent or guardian, had conscientious scruples against the same, was adopted; and after debate the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 57 to 108.

The Bill in addition to "An Act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors" was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Jefferson of Worcester, recommitted to the committee on the Liquor Law.

The Resolve relative to industrial conciliation and arbitration was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Hill of Boston, referred to the committee on Finance.

At half-past five o'clock adjourned.

TUESDAY, Feb. 15, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Budington of Leyden, petition of John E. Russell; and, by Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, petition of John E. Herrick and others,—severally for the establishment of an experiment station at the Agricultural College.

Experiment station.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Boston school
committee.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, petition of John F. Newton and others for legislation restricting the school committee of the city of Boston in their expenditures to the appropriations made by the city council.

Teachers.

By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, petition of J. N. Ham and others; and, by Mr. Stover of Boston, petition of W. L. P. Boardman and others, — severally for a law allowing school committees to elect teachers to serve for a term of years, or during good behavior.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

East Haven
Company.

By Mr. Brown of Reading, petition of George C. Richardson & Company and others, and of William Gaston and others, — severally in aid of the petition of James Alexander and others for an act of incorporation as the East Haven Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Vehicles to State
camp-ground.

By Mr. Fuller of Framingham, petition of James W. Clark and others in aid of the petition for increase of license fee for vehicles carrying passengers to the State camp-ground. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Pharmacy.

By Mr. Vining of Conway, remonstrance of A. H. Perkins and 405 others; and, by Mr. Root of Barre, remonstrance of J. C. Fuller and others, — severally against the proposed bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Health.

Hartford and
Connecticut
Valley Railroad.

By Mr. Wright of Holyoke, petition of Philander Moore and others in aid of the petition of the Hartford and Connecticut Valley Railroad Company for authority to extend its road. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Cohasset and
Hull.

By Mr. Thomas of Brookline, remonstrance of Charles H. Drew and others against the annexation of any portion of Cohasset to the town of Hull. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, petition of Amanda Lougee and others; and, by Mr. Thomas of Brookline, petition of Elizabeth C. von Arnim and others, — severally for woman suffrage.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage. Severally sent up for concurrence.

Western
Worcester
court.

By Mr. Parratt of West Brookfield, remonstrance of E. B. Lynde and others against the establishment of the Western Worcester district court. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Hayden of Woburn, —

Ordered, That the Speaker issue a precept giving notice that a vacancy exists in the Fourteenth Middlesex Representative District, and appointing a time for an election to fill said vacancy.

Fourteenth
Middlesex
District.

The following order, offered by Mr. Baker of Beverly, was, at his request, laid over until to-morrow: —

Ordered, That, when the House adjourns on Friday next, it be to meet on Saturday, the 19th inst., at eleven o'clock A.M., and, when it adjourns on Saturday, it shall be to meet on Wednesday, the 23d inst., at two o'clock P.M.

Adjournment —
Washington's
birthday.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge, a Resolve in favor of the widow of Alexander Hyde. Read, and referred, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Finance, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Widow of
Alexander
Hyde.

Papers from the Senate.

The report of the committee on Taxation, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition of William Emerson Baker and others for an act of incorporation for a portion of the town of Needham as a village or borough with power to levy taxes, and recommending its reference to the committee on Towns, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule.

W. E. Baker's
borough.

Petitions of John C. Mason and others, B. F. Nourse and others, and Isaac Davis and others, — severally for the repeal of the act of last year levying a tax on life-insurance companies.

Tax on life-
insurance
companies.

Severally referred in concurrence to the committee on Insurance.

Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Making appropriations for expenses of the various charitable and reformatory institutions, and for other purposes;

Bills enacted.

To amend the certificate of incorporation of the Supreme Council of the Home Circle;

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses;

To amend chapter 79 of the Acts of the year 1879, relating to the compensation of employes in the secretary's department, and for other purposes; and

To amend "An Act to incorporate the Nine-Mile Pond Fishing Company;"

(Which severally originated in the House);

To repeal certain statutes relating to the proving of fire-arms; and

To authorize the Hamilton Manufacturing Company to increase its capital stock;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves:

Authorizing the treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue; and

In favor of Ebenezer Gay;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reconsideration.

Military drill.

Mr. Higginson of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the Bill to encourage physical exercises in public schools. The motion prevailed by a vote of 96 to 78; and, the question recurring on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was so ordered.

Local option.

Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Bill in addition to "An Act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors" was yesterday recommit-
ted to the committee on the Liquor Law. The motion prevailed; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the bill was, on his further motion, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Reports of Committees.

Post 143,
G. A. R.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Hapgood and Thomas H. Talbot, in behalf of Post 143, G. A. R., for a general act of incorporation.

Salem police
relief associa-
tion.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John W. Hart for an act of incorporation of the members of the police force of Salem as a relief association.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Boston for an act authorizing the board of aldermen of said city to have transferred to the overseers of the poor the fund willed by Mrs. Joanna Brooker to the selectmen of Boston.

Joanna Brooker fund.

By Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making section 37 of chapter 381 of the Acts of the year 1871, relative to fraudulently evading payment of fares on railroads, a general law to protect all carriers of passengers for hire.

Evading fares.

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the time of the return day of all writs in suits at common law.

Return day.

By Mr. Cronin of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the taking of inventories of estates of deceased persons in certain cases.

Inventories of estates.

By Mr. Clarke of New Bedford, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the sale of real estate to pay the debts of persons deceased.

Sale of real estate to pay debts.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Tapley of Danvers, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (on leave) relating to appeals from the assessment of taxes ought not to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Appeals from assessments.

By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relative to mortgaged lands taken for public uses under authority of law.

Mortgaged lands taken for public uses.

By Mr. Forbes of Westborough, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on an order, a Bill amending chapter 211 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to the descent of real estate of husband and wife dying intestate and without issue.

Descent of real estate of husband and wife.

By Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, from the committee on Woman Suffrage, on an order and petitions, a Bill to amend "An Act to give women the right to vote for members of school committees."

Women voting for school committees.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Laborers'
wages.

On motion of Mr. Dever of Boston, the Bill concerning the payment of laborers' wages by cities was taken from the table, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

Qualification of a Member.

Mr. Shores of
Lee.

Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge was appointed a committee to conduct Mr. Shores of Lee, a member-elect for the Fifth Berkshire District, to the Governor and Council to be qualified.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The Senate Bill concerning transfer of stock and bonds by trustees was further considered, and rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The Resolve in favor of Isadora F. Lincoln was further considered, and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to answers under the trustee process, was, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary, pending a motion of Mr. Morse of Newton to amend by substituting a bill.

Reports:

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the countersigning of insurance policies; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to pawnbrokers;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

Authorizing the ditching of South Beach in Edgartown, adjacent to Great Pond, and relative to the fisheries in said pond;

To incorporate the Milford Water Company;

To amend section 1 of chapter 104 of the Acts of the year 1876, relating to certain returns to the commissioners on inland fisheries;

To amend section 2 of chapter 170 of the Acts of the year 1866, concerning neglect or refusal of assessors to perform the duties therein set forth; and the

Resolve in favor of Jane Parks;

Were severally read, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To authorize the Haverhill and Groveland Street Railway Company to establish and maintain a ferry across the Merrimack River;

Authorizing the New Haven and Northampton Company to issue bonds;

In relation to payments of fines and costs to keepers of prisons (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read, "Bill in relation to payments of fines and costs to keepers of jails and masters of houses of correction");

For the consolidation of the Nantasket Beach, the Hull and Nantasket Beach, and the Boston, Hingham, and Hull Railroad Companies;

To amend the Act to incorporate the Long Pond Fishing Company in Yarmouth;

To amend "An Act to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Essex to lay out a highway, and construct a bridge over Ipswich River;" and

In relation to the release of prisoners from the Reformatory Prison for Women; and

Resolves:

Providing for the construction of a double tenement house at the State Prison at Concord; and

In favor of John William Robert Sawin;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend chapter 252 of the Acts of the year 1879, entitled "An Act for the benefit of indigent soldiers and sailors," was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

At four o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 16, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain of the Senate.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Stevens of Clinton, petition of W. F. Sawyer and others for the establishment of an experiment station.

at the Agricultural College. Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Teachers. By Mr. Brown of Marblehead, petition of William W. Dodge and others for a law allowing school committees to elect teachers to serve for a term of years, or during good behavior. Referred to the committee on Education.

Memorial Day. By Mr. Crandall of Attleborough, petition of E. L. Richards and others; and, by Mr. Hale of Milford, petition of Alfred A. Burrell and 100 others,—severally that Memorial Day may be made a legal holiday.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

**Cambridge and
Shawsheen
River.**

By Mr. Gilman of Andover, remonstrance of the town of Andover against allowing the city of Cambridge to take water from the Shawsheen River.

Pharmacy.

By Mr. Taylor of Haverhill, petitions of Dr. J. R. Nichols and others, and Charles A. Nayson and others; by Mr. Parratt of West Brookfield, petition of W. F. Israel and others; by Mr. Rand of Medford, petition of F. W. Graves and others; by Mr. Hill of Boston, petition of J. T. Leacy and others; by Mr. Rice of Florida, petition of F. O. Webber, M.D., and others; by Mr. Eddy of Erving, petition of Edward Russell and others; by Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, petition of Charles W. Kershaw and others; by Mr. Burr of Fall River, petition of Frank Borden and others; and, by Mr. Freeman of Wellfleet, petition of F. S. Gray and others,—severally in aid of the proposed bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy; and, by Mr. Wilson of Boston, remonstrance of J. C. Buffum and others against the same.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Health.

**Hartford and
Connecticut
Valley Rail-
road.**

By Mr. Wright of Holyoke, petition of the Carew Manufacturing Company and other corporations, and of citizens of South Hadley, in aid of the petition of the Hartford and Connecticut Valley Railroad Company for authority to extend its road. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

**Woman
suffrage.**

By Mr. Reade of Boston, petition of Marian Hovey and 5 others; by Mr. Hughes of Truro, petition of George F. Babbitt and 117 others; by Mr. Sprague of Boston, petition of Mrs. F. Bowker and 51 others; by Mr. Peck of Wilbraham, petition of G. M. Steele and others; by Mr. Corey of Bedford, petition of Thomas B. Hosmer, M.D., and 89 others; by Mr. McManus of Natick, petition of J. B. Fairbanks and others; and, by Mr. Hale of Milford,

petition of Rev. George F. Clark and others, — severally for woman suffrage.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of A. C. Lombard's Sons and others for legislation providing for the prompt trial of actions in which vessels are attached on mesne process. Mesne process.

By Mr. Shepard of Boston, petition of J. Henry Stevenson and 100 others in aid of the petition for the abolition of the municipal court of the East Boston district of the city of Boston. East Boston municipal court.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Hughes of Truro, remonstrance of G. H. Holmes and 90 others; by Mr. Lincoln of Barnstable, remonstrance of William F. Jones and others; and, by Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, remonstrance of John H. Reed and others, — severally against the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate for Barnstable County. Joseph M. Day.

Severally referred to the special committee on that subject.

By Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, petition of the Massachusetts School Suffrage Association for amendments to the law permitting women to vote for school officers. Women voting for school committees.

By Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, petition of George R. Nutter and 26 others, members of the graduating class of the Boston Latin School, also of 12 teachers, and of Samuel J. Sanford and 350 others, pupils in the English High School of Boston, — severally in aid of the Bill to encourage physical exercises in public schools. Military drill.

Severally placed on file.

Order.

The order offered yesterday and laid over, relative to a session on Saturday, and adjournment over from Saturday until the following Wednesday, was adopted. Adjournment—Washington's birthday.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports:

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad for leave to maintain a bridge over Miller's River without a draw; Boston and Maine Railroad.

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relating to amending the laws regulating the Voting by policy-holders.

voting by policy-holders in mutual fire-insurance companies;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw:

Bay State House.

On the petition of the proprietors of the Bay State House in Worcester for authority to increase the capital stock of the corporation; and

Henry M. Whitney.

On the petition of Henry M. Whitney and others for an act of incorporation, with authority to purchase, hold, sell, lease, and improve land in Boston and Brookline; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate:

Mining, quarrying, and oil companies.

On an order relative to a change in the laws relating to the taxation of mining, quarrying, and oil companies;

Assessors' books.

On an order relative to amending chapter 167 of the Acts of 1861, prescribing the form of assessors' books;

Mining companies.

On an order relative to amending chapter 283 of the Acts of the year 1865, relating to returns and taxation of mining companies; and

Village taxation.

On an order relative to providing by law that villages in towns may become incorporated for the purpose of raising money by taxation of property within the limits of the village for village improvements;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills:

Fidelity insurance.

Relating to the transaction of fidelity insurance in this Commonwealth (reported on an order dated Jan. 27, relative to fidelity insurance); and

Fishing in North River.

To regulate the taking of fish in North River in the county of Plymouth (reported on petitions);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Certain appointments.

A Bill authorizing the Governor and Council to revoke certain appointments, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Salaries of harbor and land commissioners.

A Bill to amend "An Act to establish the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners" (reported, in part, on the annual report of the harbor and land commissioners) was referred in concurrence to the committee on Expenditures.

Andover bounties.

A Bill to authorize the town of Andover to pay certain bounties (reported by the committee on Towns, on a petition, and referred by the Senate to the committee on Military Affairs) came down for concurrence in the reference. The House concurred.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to modifying the law concerning the trustee process by substituting therefor the "garnishee process."

Garnishee process.

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating assignments of wages, and protecting creditors from fraudulent assignments of wages.

Assignments of wages.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to deputy-sheriffs serving venirees in the towns in which they reside.

Venirees.

By Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, from the same committee, on an order relative to the number of registered female voters and the number who exercise the privilege of voting, that the following order should be adopted:—

Women voting for school committees.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be required to collect, and report to the present Legislature, the number of registered female voters for school committee in the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth, and also the number who have exercised the privilege of voting.

By Mr. Parmenter of Amherst, from the committee on Elections, on a petition for a recount of votes cast for representative in the Ninth Norfolk District, a Resolution concerning the seat of representative for the Ninth Norfolk District.

Ninth Norfolk District.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question in the case of the two last-named reports being on the adoption of the order and the resolution respectively.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (recommitted) providing for the trial of actions against railroad corporations for loss of life by negligence ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Negligence of railroad corporations.

By Mr. Thayer of North Adams, from the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad, on a portion of the Governor's address, in part, a Bill concerning the running of railroad-trains on the Lord's Day.

Running trains on the Lord's Day.

By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Brockton to issue additional water-scrip, and to limit the amount thereof.

Brockton water-scrip.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Member Qualified.

Mr. Shores of
Lee.

Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge, who was appointed a committee to conduct Mr. Shores of Lee to the council chamber to be qualified, reported that he had attended to that duty; and Mr. Shores took his seat as a member of the House.

The Speaker appointed Mr. Shores on the committees on Agriculture and Education, to fill the vacancies caused by the death of Mr. Hyde of Lee.

Bill Enacted, and Resolves Passed.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill to change the name of the Holmes Hole Union Wharf Company (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves:
In favor of the Middlesex Agricultural Society; and
In favor of the Nantucket Agricultural Society;
(Which severally originated in the House); and
Relative to the distribution of certain documents (which originated in the Senate);
Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reconsideration.

Transfer of
stock and bonds.

Mr. Butler of Somerville moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the Senate Bill concerning transfer of stock and bonds by trustees. The motion prevailed, and, pending the recurring question on the rejection of the bill, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Orders of the Day.

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The Bill in addition to "An Act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors" was further considered. Of the pending amendments moved by Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge, one was withdrawn by general consent, two were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, and placed second in the orders of the day for to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Chamberlain.

The Bill concerning the payment of laborers' wages by cities was further considered. At the request of Mr.

Nichols of Lawrence, the yeas and nays were ordered on the main question of ordering the bill to a third reading; and, the roll being called, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 81 yeas to 131 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.

Atwood, Newell S.
Baker, John I.
Baker, Thomas J.
Beckford, Ebenezer.
Bidwell, Marshall S.
Brown, Edward P.
Brown, Leonard.
Burr, Frank W.
Carroll, Lewis.
Cawley, Edward.
Chamberlain, George D.
Cleveland, Tristram.
Collamore, Francis.
Coolidge, Timothy A.
Corey, Charles A.
Crandall, George N.
Cronin, Cornelius F.
Crowell, James A.
Curtis, Hiram.
Dever, John F.
Donovan, Daniel.
Edwards, James.
Fay, Thomas, jun.
Fernald, B. Marvin.
Fifield, Benjamin L.
Floyd, Thomas.
Forbes, William T.
French, Hartwell S.
Fuller, Luther F.
Galvin, Owen A.
Gargan, Frank.
Gill, Charles L.
Hamlin, Joseph P.
Hatch, Silas B.
Higginson, Thomas W.
Hill, Hamilton A.
Hooper, Arthur.
Howard, Robert.
Hughes, Atkins.
Jacobs, Joseph, jun.

Messrs. Joyce, John.

Lodge, Henry C.
Love, John J.
Lyon, Henry.
Mackintosh, James.
Mahoney, Patrick F.
McCullough, Thomas.
McDonald, Patrick F.
McGahey, Alexander B.
McGeough, James A.
McManus, Edward.
Mellen, James H.
Merritt, Christopher C.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Murphy, Timothy A.
Nichols, Joseph J.
O'Donnell, John.
O'Neil, Joseph H.
Plunkett, Francis.
Poor, Edward P.
Porter, Charles H.
Quirk, Dennis G.
Reade, John.
Scott, Thomas.
Shepard, Harvey N.
Sprague, Henry H.
Stanton, John.
Steele, Isaac A. S.
Stevens, Ezra A.
Stickney, Joseph W.
Sullivan, John C.
Tufts, Arthur W.
Vining, David T.
Walker, Samuel.
Warren, Nathan.
Wells, Henry J.
White, James.
Whitney, Giles H.
Wood, Owen.
Wright, John H.

NATS.

Messrs. Allen, Charles H.	Messrs. Gifford, Rufus B.
Almy, James F.	Gilman, Thomas K.
Ames, Edwin.	Goodwin, John.
Andrew, John F.	Goulding, Robert.
Avery, Winslow W.	Hadley, Stephen D.
Bail, George W.	Hale, Silas W.
Bailey, Thomas F.	Hayden, Edward D.
Barton, Leonard.	Hemphill, Ashton E.
Bixby, Nelson H.	Hoar, Samuel.
Bosworth, Edwin R.	Holman, William F.
Bowerman, Samuel W.	Howland, Charles W.
Brackett, John Q. A.	Jefferson, Martin V. B.
Bradford, Martin L.	Jewett, Albert G.
Bryant, George T.	Johnson, William.
Buck, John W. P.	Jones, Thomas B.
Budington, Jonathan.	Keith, Albert.
Bugbee, James M.	Kelley, Watson B.
Bulloch, Andrew.	Kendall, Ira Y.
Bumstead, Josiah.	Lawrence, Asa S.
Burpee, William H.	Lincoln, Clark.
Burr, Edwin S.	Livermore, George B.
Butler, Edward P.	Look, Dwight B.
Butler, John Haskell.	Mansfield, Andrew.
Cable, Hobart M.	Marble, John W.
Carleton, George H.	Marshall, Asaph R.
Carpenter, Edward C.	McFarlin, Peleg.
Clarke, Albert E.	Metcalf, Edwin D.
Coffin, Amos.	Miller, J. Hervey.
Cogswell, William.	Morrison, Daniel T.
Colton, John W.	Morse, George W.
Coney, Hubert M.	Newell, Richard.
Cushman, Solomon F.	Noyes, Increase E.
Davenport, James F.	Packard, Davis S.
Davis, Person.	Parmenter, Charles O.
Dickerman, John E.	Parratt, George A.
Dorman, Asahel H.	Peck, Chauncey E.
Dunham, Henry J.	Phillips, Henry M.
Eager, Edward R.	Porter, Burrill, jun.
Eddy, Charles A.	Porter, Vaniah M.
Evans, James M.	Prouty, Isaac L.
Farrar, Job P.	Rand, John C.
Fay, George F.	Reed, Charles A.
Fellows, Alonzo B.	Rice, Frederick S.
Foster, Enoch.	Richardson, Nat'l, jun.
Fowler, Charles B.	Robbins, Oliver W.
Freeman, Jesse H.	Root, Thomas P.
Gaskill, Leonard T.	Russell, William W.
Gifford, James E.	Sanborn, John H.

Messrs. Sawin, Otis D.	Messrs. Thayer, S. Proctor.
Sawyer, Henry O.	Thomas, Edward I.
Searles, George F.	Thompson, Joseph W.
Shepard, George A.	Tinkham, Benjamin C.
Sheppard, Joel F.	Tufts, Joseph A.
Shores, Norman W.	Valpey, Samuel B.
Slocum, Henry A.	Vinal, Quincy A.
Smith, Remember.	Wales, Jonathan.
Smith, Zenas E.	Walker, Aaron G.
Snow, William O.	Wardwell, Henry.
Stevens, Edward G.	Webster, Edwin R.
Stover, Augustus W.	Webster, John G.
Stowe, Edmund M.	White, Lloyd E.
Strong, Sidney.	Whitney, Levi L.
Swift, Charles F.	Willcutt, Levi L.
Tapley, Gilbert A.	Wilson, Arthur H.
Tappan, William H.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.
Taylor, Levi.	

Yeas, 81 ; nays, 131.

Notice of the rejection of the bill was sent to the Senate.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Hapgood and Thomas H. Talbot in behalf of Post 143, G. A. R., for a general act of incorporation, was, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, postponed for consideration until to-morrow.

Reports of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of John W. Hart for an act of incorporation of the members of the police force of Salem as a relief association ; and

On the petition of the mayor of Boston, relative to the fund willed by Mrs. Joanna Brooker to the selectmen of Boston ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the time of the return day of all writs in suits at common law ; and

Reports of the committee on Probate and Chancery, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to the taking of inventories of estates of deceased persons in certain cases ; and

On an order relative to the sale of real estate to pay the debts of persons deceased ;

Were severally accepted.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to fraudulently evading payment of fares, was, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, laid on the table.

The Bill relative to mortgaged lands taken for public uses under authority of law was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill amending chapter 211 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to the descent of real estate of husband and wife dying intestate and without issue, was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend "An Act to give women the right to vote for members of school committees" was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, recommitted to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The Bill (on leave) relating to appeals from the assessment of taxes was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Taxation, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to encourage physical exercises in public schools was read a third time, and considered. Pending the question on engrossment, and pending amendments moved by Messrs. Shepard of Boston, and Love of Webster, the bill was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed third in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Hatch of Fall River.

The Bill to incorporate the Milford Water Company (amended on motion of Mr. Thayer of North Adams); and the

Resolve in favor of Jane Parks;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To amend section 1 of chapter 104 of the Acts of the year 1876, relating to certain returns to the commissioners on inland fisheries; and

To amend section 2 of chapter 170 of the Acts of the year 1866, concerning neglect or refusal of assessors to perform the duties therein set forth; and the

Resolve in favor of Isadora F. Lincoln;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

At a quarter before five o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY, Feb. 17, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Rice of Florida, petition of W. W. Burnett and others for the establishment of an experiment station. Experiment station.
Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Porter of Quincy, petition of Tilson A. Mead and others; and, by Mr. Morse of Newton, petition of J. W. Dickinson and 82 others of Newton, — severally for a law allowing school committees to elect teachers for a term of years, or during good behavior. Teachers.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, petition of A. F. Bonner and 135 others in aid of the petition of Harriet E. Clark and others relative to the liquor law. Liquor law.

By Mr. Hale of Milford, petition of the Worcester and Middlesex Temperance Union for an amendment to the Constitution, prohibiting the manufacture or sale, as beverages, of all intoxicating liquors. Liquors.

Severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Gifford of Salem, petition of — Eastman and others; by Mr. Stowe of Hudson, petition of Lewis T. Howe and 202 others; by Mr. Sullivan of Middleborough, petition of Charles H. Tobey and others; by Mr. Wood of Hopkinton, petition of Thomas Taylor and others; by Mr. Farrar of Abington, petitions of Samuel T. Mears and 126 others, and A. H. Wright and others; and, by Mr. Bradford of Boston, petition of Charles B. Fox and 202 others, — severally that Memorial Day be made a legal holiday. Memorial Day.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Prouty of Spencer, petition of S. M. Sumner and 55 others; by Mr. Jenks of Franklin, petition of George King, M.D., and others; by Mr. Wood of Hopkin- Pharmacy.

ton, petition of J. B. Sawin and 100 others; by Mr. Coney of Springfield, petition of F. H. Harris and others; by Mr. Thayer of North Adams, petition of J. M. Fay, M.D., and others; by Mr. Rand of Medford, petition of Charles V. Bemis and others; by Mr. Gill of Stoneham, petition of A. H. Cowdrey, M.D., and others; by Mr. Hayden of Woburn, petition of H. M. Field, M.D.; by Mr. Almy of Salem, petition of Eben Upton and others; by Mr. Warren of Waltham, petition of J. Allen Fay and others; by Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of C. M. Trask and others; by Mr. Valpey of Lynn, petition of J. W. Colcord and others; by Mr. Fowler of Salem, petition of Charles H. Rice and others; by Mr. Cable of Hyde Park, petition of George W. Tyler and others; by Mr. Hemphill of Holyoke, petition of Byron E. Dewey and 118 others; by Mr. Goulding of Lowell, petition of Carleton & Hovey and others; by Mr. Phillips of Springfield, petition of J. T. Webber and 98 others; by Mr. Bradford of Boston, petition of George W. Masso, M.D., and 151 others; and, by Mr. Tapley of Danvers, petition of Rev. W. G. Sperry and 109 others, — severally in aid of the proposed bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy; and, by Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, remonstrance of Joseph Beals and 427 others against the same.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Health.

Shipping in
foreign trade.

By Mr. Quirk of Boston, petition of James Keough and others in aid of the petition for exemption from taxation of shipping in foreign trade. Referred to the committee on Taxation.

Quincy and
Boston.

By Mr. Porter of Quincy, remonstrance of J. A. Duggan and others against the annexation of any part of Quincy to Boston. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Mackintosh of Needham, petition of A. E. Miller, M.D., and 201 others for woman suffrage. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Western
Worcester
court.

By Mr. Parratt of West Brookfield, remonstrance of E. F. Strickland and others against the establishment of the Western Worcester district court.

Suits against
vessels.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of M. F. Pickering & Company and others for legislation providing for a prompt trial of actions in which vessels are attached on mesne process.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Clarke of New Bedford, petition of Jonathan Cowen and 94 others against the employment of any methods or forms of physical education in the schools connected in any way with military practices. Placed on file. Military drill.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills:

In relation to subordinate officers for the Reformatory Prison for Women (reported, in part, on an order relative to a change in laws concerning prisons); Reformatory Prison.

In relation to jurisdiction of offences committed in the State Prison (reported, in part, on the annual report of the commissioners of prisons); and State-prison offences.

To amend chapter 135 of the Acts of the year 1878, concerning the records of locations of railroads (reported, in part, on the report of the railroad commissioners); Locations of railroads.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

The House Bill to incorporate the Massachusetts Fish Exchange came down from the Senate, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule. Massachusetts Fish Exchange.

The report of the committee on Printing, that an order should be adopted providing that there be printed, for the use of the Legislature, fifteen hundred copies of the election sermon, and that a hundred copies of the same be given to the preacher thereof, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule. Election sermon.

A Bill to amend "An Act concerning married women doing business on their own account," being a new draft of the House "Bill concerning married women doing business on their separate account," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Married women.

A message of the Governor transmitting a communication from the United States International Commission, relative to the exhibition proposed to be held in New York, was read, and referred in concurrence, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. World's Fair at New York.

A Resolve in favor of the State Library, reported on the annual report of the State librarian, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance. State Library.

Prison
commissioners.

An additional portion of the tenth annual report of the commissioners of prisons was referred in concurrence to the committee on Prisons.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To authorize the Home for Aged Men to hold additional real and personal estate (which originated in the House); and

To amend chapter 252 of the Acts of the year 1879, entitled "An Act for the benefit of indigent soldiers and sailors" (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Masters in
chancery.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending chapter 161 of the Acts of the year 1880, concerning the auditing of accounts of county officers, that its provisions may apply to masters in chancery.

Arrests by mas-
ters in chancery.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing so much of the General Statutes as authorizes masters in chancery to order arrests on mesne process.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Holyoke police-
court clerk.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Expenditures, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the expediency of appointing a clerk for the police court of the city of Holyoke, and recommending its reference to the committee on the Judiciary, was read, accepted, and sent up for concurrence in the discharge of the committee.

Summonses.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to provide for the issue of summonses instead of warrants, for arrest for certain minor offences.

Haverhill
hospital.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to amend "An Act to authorize the city of Haverhill to establish a hospital."

Josephine A.
Wyatt.

By Mr. Prouty of Spencer, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Josephine A. Wyatt ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

By Mr. Allen of Lynn, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to amend "An Act to incorporate the International Trust Company." International Trust Company.

By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, from the committee on Prisons, on an order relative to statistics of criminal cases, a Bill in relation to returns from courts and trial-justices. Returns from courts and trial-justices.

By Mr. Brown of Marblehead, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition of the Massachusetts Central Railroad for a change of location, in part, a Bill authorizing the Fitchburg Railroad Company and the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company to change their location in the town of Belmont (Messrs. Crocker of the Senate, and E. P. Brown of Boston, Cable of Hyde Park, and Clapp of Boston, of the House, dissenting). Massachusetts Central, and Fitchburg Railroads.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wells of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, that the Bill (on leave) to amend section 64 of chapter 136 of the General Statutes, relating to the partition of lands, ought to pass. Partition of lands.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Resolve (on leave) authorizing the issue of arms to the State Normal School at Bridgewater ought to pass. State Normal School at Bridgewater.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve (on leave) in favor of the widow of Alexander Hyde ought to pass. Read a second and third time, and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules, including the rule requiring its reference to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and Rule 15, and sent to the Senate for concurrence. Widow of Alexander Hyde.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Hill of Boston, the annual report of the treasurer and receiver-general for the year ending Dec. 31, 1880, was taken from the table, and, on his further motion, was referred to the committee on Expenditures, and sent up for concurrence. Treasurer's report.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill concerning transfer of stock and bonds by trustees was further considered, and again rejected, as Orders of the day.

recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Hapgood and Thomas H. Talbot in behalf of Post 143, G. A. R., for a general act of incorporation, was, on motion of Mr. Thomas of Brookline, postponed for further consideration until next Wednesday.

The Bill relative to mortgaged lands taken for public uses under authority of law was further considered, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill authorizing the ditching of South Beach in Edgartown, adjacent to Great Pond, and relative to the fisheries in said pond, was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by inserting a new section instead of section 2, passed to be engrossed as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

Reports of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to modifying the law concerning the trustee process by substituting therefor the "garnishee process;"

On an order relative to deputy-sheriffs serving venires in the towns in which they reside; and

On an order relative to regulating assignments of wages;

Were severally accepted.

The order reported by the committee on the Judiciary, relative to a return by the Secretary of the Commonwealth of the number of female voters for school committees, was adopted, and sent up for concurrence.

Reports:

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad for leave to maintain a bridge over Miller's River without a draw;

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate on an order relating to amending the laws regulating the voting by policy-holders in mutual fire-insurance companies; and

Reports of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw:

On the petition of the proprietors of the Bay State House in Worcester for authority to increase the capital stock of the corporation; and

On the petition of Henry M. Whitney and others for an act of incorporation, with authority to purchase, hold, sell, lease, and improve land in Boston and Brookline; and

Reports of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to amending chapter 167 of the Acts of 1861, prescribing the form of assessors' books;

On an order relative to amending chapter 283 of the Acts of the year 1865, relating to returns and taxation of mining companies; and

On an order relative to providing by law that villages in towns may become incorporated for the purpose of raising money by taxation for village improvements;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to a change in the laws relating to the taxation of mining, quarrying, and oil companies, was, on motion of Mr. Fernald of Melrose, re-committed to the committee on Taxation.

The Resolution concerning the seat of representative for the Ninth Norfolk District was adopted, as follows:—

Resolved, That whereas it appears that at the election for representative, held in the Ninth Norfolk Representative District on the second day of November in the year eighteen hundred and eighty, James Mackintosh of Needham received the highest number of votes, it is hereby declared that the said James Mackintosh was duly elected, and is entitled to the seat now occupied by him in this House.

The Bill providing for the trial of actions against railroad corporations for loss of life by negligence was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, and pending a motion of Mr. Brown of Boston to refer the bill to the committee on Railroads, further consideration of the matter was postponed until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem.

Bills:

Concerning the running of railroad-trains on the Lord's Day;

To authorize the town of Brockton to issue additional water-scrip, and to limit the amount thereof;

To regulate the taking of fish in North River in the county of Plymouth (amended on motion of Mr. Collamore of Pembroke); and

Relating to the transaction of fidelity insurance in this Commonwealth;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill amending chapter 211 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to the descent of real estate of husband and wife dying intestate and without issue, was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, the bill was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill in addition to "An Act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors" was read a third time, and considered. Amendments moved by Messrs. Bugbee of Boston and French of Lynn were adopted, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to encourage physical exercises in public schools was further considered. The amendments moved by Mr. Shepard of Boston were withdrawn by general consent. An amendment moved by Mr. Sprague of Boston, modified at the suggestion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, was adopted, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At ten minutes before five o'clock adjourned.

FRIDAY, Feb. 18, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Sugar-beets.

By Mr. Hartwell of Southbridge, petition of L. N. Curtis and others, for legislation to encourage the cultivation of the sugar-beet. Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Boston school committee.

By Mr. Shepard of Boston, petition of D. D. Kelly and others, that the school committee of Boston may be required to confine its expenditures within appropriations. Referred to the committee on Education.

Taking of fish.

By Mr. Steele of Gloucester, remonstrance of James M. Slade and others of Manchester against any change in the

law relative to the taking of fish by pounds, traps, fykes, etc. Referred to the committee on the Fisheries.

By Mr. Almy of Salem, petition of H. M. Lawrence and others for an amendment to the Constitution, prohibiting the manufacture or sale, as beverages, of all intoxicating liquors. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law. Liquors.

By Mr. Fowler of Salem, petition of George W. Davis and others; by Mr. Cogswell of Salem, petition of J. W. Nichols and others; by Mr. Look of Leominster, petition of S. F. Maynard and 231 others; and, by Mr. Almy of Salem, petition of Charles T. Ford and others,—severally that Memorial Day be made a legal holiday. Memorial Day.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Holman of Leicester, remonstrance of Clift Rogers and 143 others; and, by Mr. Brackett of Boston, remonstrance of George W. Foster and others, James Dahl and 139 others,—severally against the bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy. Pharmacy.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Health.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of Charles Hunt & Company and others for legislation providing for the prompt trial of actions in which vessels are attached on mesne process. Trial of suits against vessels.

By Mr. E. R. Webster of Boston, petition of Wesley A. Gove and others in aid of the petition for the establishment of a new district court in place of the municipal court of the East Boston district. East Boston court.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly,—

Ordered, That on and after Wednesday next, in debate of all matters coming before the House, speeches be limited to ten minutes each. This rule shall not be suspended, except by a vote of two-thirds of the members present; and such suspension shall take effect for ten minutes only, and a further suspension shall be given only by unanimous consent. Limit of debate.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills:

Bills.

Relating to the bonds of persons appointed by the Governor, or by the Governor and Council;

In relation to law library associations; and

To amend the charter of the city of Fall River;
 Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were
 severally read, and referred to the committee on the Judi-
 ciary.

Agricultural
 College.

The eighteenth annual report of the Massachusetts Agri-
 cultural College, introduced in the Senate Jan. 14, was re-
 ferred in concurrence to the committee on Agriculture.

Bills Enacted, and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To change the name of the Alden Emery Company
 (which originated in the House);

To amend section 2 of chapter 170 of the Acts of the
 year 1866, concerning neglect or refusal of assessors to
 perform the duties therein set forth; and

To amend section 1 of chapter 104 of the Acts of the
 year 1876, relating to certain returns to the commissioners
 on inland fisheries;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent
 to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Isadora F. Lincoln
 (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed, and
 sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Town-halls.

By Mr. Sawyer of West Boylston, from the committee
 on Education, asking to be discharged from the further
 consideration of the "Bill (on leave) to disseminate politi-
 cal knowledge among the people," and recommending that
 the same be referred to the committee on Towns. Read,
 accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Husband and
 wife.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, from the committee on the
 Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order providing
 that husband and wife shall hold, as tenants in common,
 real property conveyed to them.

Sale of real
 estate by
 savings banks.

By Mr. Allen of Lynn, from the committee on Banks
 and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative
 to amending chapter 203 of the Acts of 1876, relative to
 sale of real estate by savings banks.

State Normal
 Art School.

By Mr. Hale of Milford, from the committee on Educa-
 tion, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to redu-
 cing the expenses of the State Normal Art School, and the
 cost of teaching drawing in the public schools.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, from the committee on Prisons, on a petition, a Resolve relative to the petition of Samuel E. Chamberlain, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred for entertainment of officials visiting the State Prison. Visitors at State Prison.

By Mr. Bixby of Adams, from the committee on Claims, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the town of Florida; Florida.

Also, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the town of Rowe. Rowe.

Severally read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Crandall of Attleborough, from the committee on County Estimates, on the estimates of the several counties, a Resolve granting county taxes. County taxes.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the copy of a proposed petition of George W. Walker and others, selectmen of Malden (the original petition having been submitted to the committee without presentation in the House), a Bill to establish the city of Malden. Malden.

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to amend "An Act to incorporate the Berkshire Water Company." Berkshire Water Company.

By Mr. Sheppard of Braintree, from the committee on Public Health, on a petition, a Bill to supply the town of Weymouth with pure water. Weymouth water-supply.

By Mr. Thomas of Brookline, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill in addition to "An Act to incorporate the Massachusetts Hospital Life-Insurance Company." Massachusetts Hospital Life-Insurance Company.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order to consider the expediency of further legislation concerning savings banks, a Bill to provide that the receivers of insolvent savings banks and institutions for savings shall deposit certain moneys with the treasurer of the Commonwealth. Receivers of insolvent savings banks.

By Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, from the committee on Education, to whom was recommitted the "Bill to amend 'An Act to give women the right to vote for members of school committees,'" that the same ought to pass in a new draft with the title "Bill giving women the right to vote for members of school committees, and on other matters pertaining to public schools." Women voting for school committees.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Real estate of
husband and
wife.

On motion of Mr. Forbes of Westborough, the Bill amending chapter 211 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to the descent of real estate of husband and wife dying intestate and without issue, was discharged from the orders of the day, and, on his further motion, it was postponed for further consideration until next Thursday, pending the question on its engrossment.

Orders of the Day.

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day.

The Bill providing for the trial of actions against railroad corporations for loss of life by negligence was further considered. The pending motion of Mr. Brown of Boston to recommit the bill was withdrawn. Mr. Hoar of Concord moved to amend by striking out section 4 of the bill, and inserting instead thereof a new section. The amendment was adopted, and, after debate, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Reports of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to the auditing of accounts of county officers and masters in chancery ; and

On an order relative to repealing so much of the General Statutes as authorizes masters in chancery to order arrests on mesne process ;

Were severally accepted.

The Bill authorizing the Fitchburg Railroad Company and the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company to change their location in the town of Belmont was read a second time, and considered. Pending an amendment moved by Mr. Brown of Boston, and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, further consideration of the matter was, on motion of Mr. Brown, postponed until tomorrow.

Bills :

In relation to returns from courts and trial-justices ;

To provide for the issue of summonses instead of warrants for arrest, for certain minor offences ;

To amend " An Act to authorize the city of Haverhill to establish a hospital ; "

To amend section 64 of chapter 136 of the General Statutes, relating to the partition of lands ;

To amend " An Act to incorporate the International Trust Company ; "

In relation to jurisdiction of offences committed in the State Prison ;

To amend chapter 135 of the Acts of the year 1878, concerning the records of locations of railroads ; and

In relation to subordinate officers for the Reformatory Prison for Women ; and

Resolves:

In favor of Josephine A. Wyatt ; and

Authorizing the issue of arms to the State Normal School at Bridgewater ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to mortgaged lands taken for public uses under authority of law ; and

To authorize the town of Brockton to issue additional water-scrip, and to limit the amount thereof (amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To regulate the taking of fish in North River in the county of Plymouth ; and

Relating to the transaction of fidelity insurance in this Commonwealth ;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, and the first-named bill was sent up for concurrence in an amendment adopted by the House.

The Bill concerning the running of railroad-trains on the Lord's Day was read a third time, and considered. On the main question of passing the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge ; and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence, by a vote of 87 yeas to 52 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, Charles H.
Andrew, John F.
Atwood, Newell S.
Bailey, Thomas F.
Baker, John I.
Baker, Thomas J.

Messrs. Barton, Leonard.
Bixby, Nelson H.
Brackett, John Q. A.
Brown, Edward P.
Brown, William B.
Buck, John W. P.

Messrs. Bugbee, James M.	Messrs. McCullough, Thomas.
Burr, Frank W.	McDonald, Patrick F.
Burt, George L.	McGahey, Alexander B.
Butler, John Haskell.	McGeough, James A.
Cannon, Peter.	McSorley, John.
Carpenter, Edward C.	Morse, George W.
Carroll, Lewis.	Murphy, Timothy A.
Clapp, Frank A.	Muzzey, Henry W.
Cogswell, William.	O'Donnell, John.
Davenport, James F.	O'Neil, Joseph H.
Dever, John F.	Packard, Davis S.
Donovan, Daniel.	Parratt, George A.
Dunham, Henry J.	Plunkett, Francis.
Farrar, Job P.	Porter, Charles H.
Fay, George F.	Quirk, Dennis G.
Fay, Thomas, jun.	Reade, John.
Fellows, Alonzo B.	Rice, Frederick S.
French, Hartwell S.	Richardson, Solon O.
Gaskill, Leonard T.	Robbins, Oliver W.
Gill, Charles L.	Scott, Thomas.
Gilman, Thomas K.	Shaw, Edward P.
Goodwin, John.	Shepard, George A.
Hartwell, Samuel C.	Shepard, Harvey N.
Hayden, Edward D.	Sprague, Henry H.
Hemphill, Ashton E.	Stevens, Edward G.
Higginson, Thomas W.	Stover, Augustus W.
Hoar, Samuel.	Strong, Sidney.
Hooper, Arthur.	Thayer, S. Proctor.
Jefferson, Martin V. B.	Vinal, Quincy A.
Kelly, Francis B.	Walker, Samuel.
Kendall, Ira Y.	Wardwell, Henry.
Lamb, Abraham J.	Warren, Nathan.
Livermore, George B.	Webster, Edwin R.
Lodge, Henry C.	Wells, Henry J.
Love, John J.	White, James.
Lyon, Henry.	Whitney, Giles H.
Mackintosh, James.	Willcutt, Levi L.
Mansfield, Andrew.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.	Messrs. Budington, Jonathan.
Allen, Frank D.	Burpee, William H.
Almy, James F.	Chamberlain, Geo. D.
Avery, Winslow W.	Cleveland, Tristram.
Beckford, Ebenezer.	Corey, Charles A.
Bowerman, Samuel W.	Crandall, George N.
Bradford, Martin L.	Curtis, Hiram.
Brown, Charles F.	Dorman, Asahel H.
Brown, Leonard.	Eager, Edward R.

Messrs. Fiske, George B.	Messrs. Learnard, George E.
Floyd, Thomas.	Look, Dwight B.
Forbes, William T.	Marshall, Asaph R.
Foster, Enoch.	Miller, J. Hervey.
Fowler, Charles B.	Noyes, Increase E.
Freeman, Jesse H.	Parmenter, Charles O.
Fuller, Luther F.	Prouty, Isaac L.
Gifford, Rufus B.	Reed, Charles A.
Hatch, Silas B.	Richardson, Nat'l, jun.
Hill, Hamilton A.	Sanborn, John H.
Howland, Charles W.	Searles, George F.
Hughes, Atkins.	Smith, Remember.
Jacobs, Joseph, jun.	Smith, Zenas E.
Jewett, Albert G.	Stevens, Ezra A.
Jones, Thomas B.	Stickney, Joseph W.
Joyce, John.	Thomas, Edward I.
Keith, Albert.	Tufts, Arthur W.

Yeas, 87; nays, 52.

At five o'clock adjourned.

SATURDAY, Feb. 19, 1881.

Met, according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Thompson of Medway, petition of E. H. Blake and others for a bounty on beet-sugar. Referred to the committee on Agriculture. Sugar-beets.

By Mr. Hadley of Marion, remonstrance of S. S. Besse and others against the bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy. Referred to the committee on Public Health. Pharmacy.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Freeman of Wellfleet, petition of Ensign B. Rogers and others for the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate. Referred to the special committee on that subject. Joseph M. Day.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the time for holding the municipal election in the city of Boston, Boston city election.

accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for Wednesday next.

Brockton
Savings Bank.

A Bill to incorporate the Brockton Savings Bank in the town of Brockton, reported on a copy of a proposed petition, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Reports of Committees.

Statistics for
life-insurance
companies.

By Mr. Stevens of Clinton, from the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition of A. C. Orne, that life-insurance companies doing business in this State be required to use tables based on the vital statistics of Massachusetts.

Kate H. Whit-
temore.

By Mr. Tinkham of Boston, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Kate H. Whittemore for State aid.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for Wednesday next.

Vehicles to
camp-ground.

By Mr. Stevens of Clinton, from the committee on Military Affairs, on two petitions, a Bill to amend "An Act in relation to licensing vehicles to convey persons to and from the State muster-field in the town of Framingham."

Bridge-guards.

By Mr. Phillips of Springfield, from the committee on Railroads, on the annual report of the railroad commissioners, in part, a Bill to secure the construction of bridge-guards at all bridges above railroad-tracks.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Taxes on
corporations.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on the annual report of the deputy tax commissioner, in part, a Bill to amend "An Act concerning the collection of State taxes upon corporations." Read, and, under suspension of the rule, referred, on motion of Mr. Hill, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Motion to Reconsider.

Railroad-trains
on the Lord's
Day.

Mr. Thomas of Brookline moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the "Bill concerning the running of railroad-trains on the Lord's Day." A motion of the same gentleman to postpone the consideration of the motion to reconsider until Thursday next was withdrawn, as was also a motion of Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge to lay the motion to reconsider on the table. The previous question was ordered, and the motion to reconsider was rejected by a vote of 55 to 78.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order providing that husband and wife shall hold real property as tenants in common, was accepted. Orders of the day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to sale of real estate by savings banks ; and

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reducing the expenses of the State Normal Art School ;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To provide that the receivers of insolvent savings banks and institutions for savings shall deposit certain moneys with the treasurer of the Commonwealth ; and

To amend " An Act to incorporate the Berkshire Water Company ; " and the

Resolve granting county taxes ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Providing for the trial of actions against railroad corporations for loss of life by negligence ;

In relation to returns from courts and trial-justices ;

To amend " An Act to authorize the city of Haverhill to establish a hospital ; "

To amend " An Act to incorporate the International Trust Company ; " and

Resolves :

In favor of Josephine A. Wyatt ; and

Authorizing the issue of arms to the State Normal School at Bridgewater ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

In relation to jurisdiction of offences committed in the State Prison ; and

In relation to subordinate officers for the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill authorizing the Fitchburg Railroad Company and the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company to change their location in the town of Belmont was further considered. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Brown of Boston was adopted, and the bill as amended was, after debate, ordered to a third reading.

At twenty minutes before two o'clock adjourned until Wednesday next, Tuesday being a legal holiday.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 23, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Experiment
station.

By Mr. Burpee of Sterling, petition of James Burpee and others; and, by Mr. Whitney of Millbury, petition of Newell Wood and others,—severally for an experiment station at the Agricultural College.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Teachers.

By Mr. Quirk of Boston, remonstrance of John Sanborn and others against a law allowing school committees to elect teachers to serve for a term of years, or during good behavior. Referred to the committee on Education.

Elevated
railroads.

By Mr. Butler of Somerville, remonstrances of Jonathan Wilde and others, and Uriel H. Crocker and 104 others; and, by Mr. Sprague of Boston, remonstrances of Charles U. Cotting and 52 others, and Edward D. Sohier and 52 others,—severally against an elevated railroad in Boston.

Severally referred to the committee on Street Railways.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Western
Worcester
court.

By Mr. Parratt of West Brookfield, remonstrances of H. L. Mellen and 60 others of Brookfield, Sumner Holmes and 77 others of North Brookfield, Jesse Allen and 32 others of Oakham,—severally against the establishment of a district court to be known as the Western Worcester District Court.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Public Health, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject-matter of the proposed petition of the city of Salem for power to acquire flats, rights, and franchise between Frye's mill-pond and north bridge in said city, and for the repeal of chapter 154 of the Acts of 1879, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule. Salem.

The report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. C. Bowen, M.D., and others for incorporation as the Union Medical Society, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Union Medical Society.

Bills:

To incorporate St. John's Church, Boston Highlands; and Bills.

To amend "An Act relating to the service of civil process by constables;"

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills:

In addition to "An Act to incorporate the Hingham Water Company" (reported on a petition); Bills.

To amend section 17 of chapter 7 of the General Statutes, concerning election-returns (reported on an order);

To incorporate the States Union Telegraph and Telegraph Construction Company (reported on a petition); and

To make the thirtieth day of May, known as Decoration Day, a legal holiday (reported on several petitions);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

*Bills Enacted.***Engrossed bills:**

To incorporate the Massachusetts Fish Exchange; Bills enacted.

To confirm certain acts done by Matthew J. McCafferty as a justice of the peace; and

To amend chapter 64 of the Acts of the year 1880, giving probate courts jurisdiction of rights of husbands and wives, and for the protection of minor children;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

Relative to the release on probation of persons imprisoned in the House of Industry, and giving certain powers to the board of directors for public institutions of the city of Boston (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Member Qualified.

Lucien M.
Gilbert.

Mr. Lucien M. Gilbert of Warren, a member-elect, being present and ready to be qualified, Mr. Parratt of West Brookfield was appointed a committee to conduct him to the council chamber; and, he having been qualified, report was made accordingly, and Mr. Gilbert took his seat as a member of the House.

The Speaker appointed Mr. Gilbert on the committee on Taxation, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Newton.

Reports of Committees.

Notaries who
are bank
officers.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to so amending the law that no notary-public holding any official relation to a bank shall perform any notarial act; and

Peddling near
camp-meetings.

On an order relative to so amending chapter 59 of the Acts of the year 1867, concerning hawking and peddling near camp-meetings, as to more clearly define what constitutes "a regular, usual, and established place of business" within the view of said act; and

Letting teams.

Leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. A. Cheney and others for a law protecting those who let horses and carriages for hire.

Naming of
streets.

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the naming of streets and ways in cities.

Lord's Day.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing the laws respecting the observance of the Lord's Day.

Andrew Abbott.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Andrew Abbott for a release of the Commonwealth's title to a certain parcel of real estate in Reading.

Pigeon-
shooting.

By Mr. Russell of Sunderland, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing the law of 1879, relative to pigeon-shooting.

By Mr. Walker of Watertown, from the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 196 of the Acts of the year 1880, concerning charitable and other beneficiary associations.

Charitable
associations.

By Mr. Increase E. Noyes of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law for the appointment of state, city, and town supervisors of elections, with all the powers of United-States supervisors of elections.

Supervisors of
elections.

By Mr. Searles of Northbridge, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the trustees of the Methodist-Episcopal Church in Springfield for leave to fund their debt.

Springfield
M. E. Church.

By Mr. McManus of Natick, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the transfer to the city of Cambridge of certain land for hospital purposes.

Cambridge
hospital.

By Mr. Lyon of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing towns and cities to supply medical attendance and medicines to the sick poor free of expense.

Free medicines.

By Mr. Clapp of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the election of State directors of the Boston and Albany Railroad.

State directors.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the following bills severally ought not to pass: —

Bill (on leave) relating to costs in civil causes;

Costs.

Bill (on leave) to increase the jurisdiction of the police court of Newton;

Newton police
court.

Senate Bill to repeal chapter 250 of the Acts of the year 1877, relative to the arrest and examination of judgment-debtors; and

Judgment-
debtors.

Senate Bill in relation to law library associations.

Law library
associations.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question in each case being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to the bonds of persons appointed by the Governor, or by the Governor and Council, ought to pass.

Bonds of ap-
pointees of
Governor and
Council.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the same committee, that the following bills severally ought to pass: —

- Revocation of appointments. Senate Bill authorizing the Governor and Council to revoke certain appointments;
- Special sheriffs. Senate Bill relative to the appointment of special sheriffs;
- Married women. Senate Bill to amend "An Act concerning married women doing business on their separate account;" and
- State stock in railroads. Bill (on leave) concerning the right of the Commonwealth to vote on its stock in railroad corporations.
- Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.
- Special justices. By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a bill on leave relating to police and district courts, a Bill to amend "An Act to establish the compensation of the special justices of the police and district courts in the Commonwealth."
- Charles Winslow Hall. By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to confirm and legalize the acts and decisions of Charles Winslow Hall as trial-justice of the town of Winthrop.
- Counsel assigned. By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill authorizing reimbursement for reasonable expenditures by counsel assigned to the defence of persons accused of capital crimes.
- Haverhill landing. By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Haverhill to occupy a portion of a public landing in said city.
- Records in registries. By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill concerning records of town proprietaries, and indexes in registries of deeds.
- Boston buildings. By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill for the regulation and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston.
- Suffolk probate courts. By Mr. Wells of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on a bill on leave, a Bill to amend "An Act fixing the time and place of holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk."
- Maple Grove Cemetery Association. By Mr. Richardson of Rockport, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Maple Grove Cemetery Association in the town of Westport.
- Baptist Religious Society in Haverhill. By Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to empower the Baptist Religious Society in Haverhill to convey its real estate free of trusts.
- South Adams water. By Mr. Hamlin of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, on a petition, a Bill in addition to "An Act for supplying South Adams with pure water."

By Mr. Brown of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to amend chapter 381 of the Acts of the year 1871, concerning street-railway corporations. Street-railway corporations.

By Mr. Morse of Newton, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the town of Wellesley (Messrs. Cook of the Senate and Willcutt of Boston, of the House, dissenting, and recommending that the petitioners have leave to withdraw). Wellesley.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Hapgood and Thomas H. Talbot in behalf of Post 143, G. A. R., for a general act of incorporation, was, on motion of Mr. Thomas of Brookline, postponed for further consideration until Friday next. Orders of the day.

The Bill to establish the city of Malden was read a second time. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, and pending a motion of Mr. Stevens of Malden to amend by substituting for section 8 of the bill a new section, further consideration of the matter was postponed until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant.

Reports:

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition of A. C. Orne, that life-insurance companies be required to use tables based on vital statistics of Massachusetts; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Kate H. Whittemore for State aid;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the time for holding the municipal election in the city of Boston, was accepted in concurrence.

Bills:

To supply the town of Weymouth with pure water;

In addition to "An Act to incorporate the Massachusetts Hospital Life-Insurance Company;"

To secure the construction of bridge-guards at all bridges above railroad-tracks;

To amend "An Act in relation to licensing vehicles to convey persons to and from the State muster-field in the town of Framingham;" and

To incorporate the Brockton Savings Bank in the town of Brockton;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To provide for the issue of summonses instead of warrants for arrest for certain minor offences (amended on motion of Mr. Andrew of Boston);

To amend section 64 of chapter 136 of the General Statutes, relating to the partition of lands;

To provide that the receivers of insolvent savings banks and institutions for savings shall deposit certain moneys with the treasurer of the Commonwealth; and

To amend "An Act to incorporate the Berkshire Water Company;" and the

Resolve granting county taxes;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend chapter 135 of the Acts of the year 1878, concerning the records of locations of railroads, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill giving women the right to vote for members of school committees, and on other matters pertaining to public schools, was read a second time, and considered. A motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston, that the bill be laid upon the table, was lost. Amendments moved by Messrs. Hill of Boston, Lodge of Nahant, Fiske of Holliston, and Andrew of Boston, were severally rejected, and after debate the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 111 to 46.

At twenty-five minutes before four o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY, Feb. 24, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Hale of Milford, petition of H. P. Metcalf and others; by Mr. Crandall of Attleborough, petition of Alfred Barker and others; and, by Mr. Fiske of Holliston, petition of A. A. Forbes and others,—severally for a bounty on sugar-beets. Sugar-beets.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. White of Boston, remonstrance of Lewis V. Cobb and others against a law allowing school committees to elect teachers to serve for a term of years, or during good behavior. Referred to the committee on Education. Teachers.

By Mr. Parmenter of Amherst, petition of Mrs. George W. Sanderson and others; by Mr. Kendall of Athol, petition of Mrs. Dennis Goddard and 1,516 others; by Mr. Rand of Medford, petition of N. S. Holland and 227 others; and, by Mr. Coolidge of Marlborough, petition of N. S. Boardman and others,—severally for an amendment to the Constitution, prohibiting the manufacture or sale, as beverages, of all intoxicating liquors. Liquors.

Severally referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Holman of Leicester, petition of Charles W. Wood and others in aid of the petition of Charles W. Wood and others for equalization of soldiers' bounties. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs. Soldiers' bounties.

By Mr. Gifford of Salem, petition of Carleton & Hovey and others in aid of the bill to regulate the practice of pharmacy; and, by Mr. Jenks of Franklin, remonstrance of A. N. Trevett and 114 others against the same. Pharmacy.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Butler of Somerville, remonstrance of N. S. Dearborn and 51 others; by Mr. Sprague of Boston, remonstrances of Doe, Hunnewell, & Company, and 50 others, Joseph B. Glover and 51 others, R. H. White & Company and 51 others, John T. Morse and others, and Charles H. Dalton and others; and, by Mr. Brackett of Boston, remonstrance of John Cummings and others,—severally against elevated railroads. Elevated railroads.

Severally referred to the committee on Street Railways.

By Mr. Shepard of Boston, petition of Judith W. Smith

Woman
suffrage.

and 80 others for woman suffrage. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Joseph M. Day.

By Mr. Kelley of Harwich, remonstrance of T. B. Chase and others against the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate. Referred to the special committee on that subject.

Papers from the Senate.

Lock-ups.

A Bill relating to fees allowed for the use of lock-ups, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills:

Forfeiture of
life-insurance
policies.

In addition to "An Act limiting the forfeiture of policies in life-insurance companies" (reported on a portion of the Governor's address);

Bills.

To incorporate the Mechanics' Exchange; and
To incorporate the Uxbridge Water Company;
(Severally reported on petitions);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Local option.

The House Bill in addition to "An Act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors" came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed in concurrence by that branch, with certain amendments.

Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge moved a suspension of the rule, that the amendments might be at once considered; but the motion was rejected, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in its amendments.

Reports of Committees.

William Street,
New Bedford.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of New Bedford for an act to legalize certain doings relative to altering and widening William Street.

Testimony be-
fore city and
town authori-
ties.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing boards of aldermen, selectmen, overseers of the poor, and license commissioners, to require testimony under oath.

Abandoned real
estate.

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John H. Stark

and others for an act for the better protection of abandoned real estate.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. B. Goodsell and others for such legislation as will enlarge and extend the liabilities of employers for injuries sustained by their employés. Liabilities of employers.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Chelsea for an act authorizing the appointment of a city clerk *pro tempore*. Chelsea city clerk *pro tem*.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. C. Sawyer and others for the establishment of a court to be known as the Western Worcester District Court. Western Worcester Court.

By Mr. Hale of Milford, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to employment of minors, and to securing better attendance of children in the public schools. Minors, attendance at school.

By Mr. Porter of Attleborough, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to supplying pupils in the public schools with certain text-books free of charge. Free text-books.

By Mr. Livermore of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William Upham and others for incorporation of the Spencer Gas Company. Spencer Gas Company.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 202 of the Acts of the year 1879, relative to the furnishing of steam for heating by gas companies. Steam-heating by gas companies.

By Mr. Packard of Brockton, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the poll-tax shall be a uniform tax of two dollars in all cases throughout the State. Uniform poll-tax.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Burr of Worthington, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Clarendon Hills Evangelical Society. Clarendon Hills Evangelical Society.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to establish the office of clerk of the police court of the city of Holyoke. Holyoke police court.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to include the town of Washington within the jurisdiction of the district court of Central Berkshire. Washington.

Worcester Safe
Deposit and
Trust Company.

By Mr. Forbes of Westborough, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on a petition, a Bill to amend the charter of the Worcester Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

State arsenal.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Expenditures, on an order, a Resolve to authorize the sale of the State arsenal at Cambridge.

Boston—water-
meters.

By Mr. Wilson of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to attach meters to buildings which it supplies with water.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

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day.

The Bill amending chapter 211 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to the descent of real estate of husband and wife dying intestate and without issue, was further considered. Mr. Baker of Beverly moved to amend by inserting a new section to be numbered section 2, pending which motion, and pending the question on the engrossment of the bill, further consideration of the matter was postponed until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Baker.

The Bill to establish the city of Malden was further considered. The pending motion of Mr. Stevens of Malden to amend by inserting a new section to be numbered section 8, was, after considerable debate, adopted, and the bill as amended was ordered to a third reading.

Reports of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to repealing the laws respecting the observance of the Lord's Day;

On an order relative to amending chapter 59 of the Acts of the year 1867, concerning hawking and peddling near camp-meetings;

On an order relative to so amending the law, that no notary-public holding any official relation to a bank shall perform any notarial act; and

On an order relative to the naming of streets and ways in cities; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw:

On the petition of Andrew Abbott for a release of the Commonwealth's title to a certain parcel of real estate in Reading; and

On the petition of J. A. Cheney and others for a law protecting those who let horses and carriages for hire;

Were severally accepted.

Reports:

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing the law of 1879 to suppress pigeon-shooting;

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 196 of the Acts of the year 1880, concerning charitable and other beneficiary associations;

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to the transfer to the city of Cambridge of certain land for hospital purposes; and

On an order relative to authorizing towns and cities to supply medical attendance and medicines to the sick poor free of expense; and

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law for the appointment of state, city, and town supervisors of elections;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. C. Bowen, M.D., and others for incorporation as the Union Medical Society, was accepted in concurrence.

The Senate Bill to repeal chapter 250 of the Acts of the year 1877, relative to the arrest and examination of judgment-debtors, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Bills:

To authorize the city of Haverhill to occupy a portion of a public landing in said city;

To incorporate the Maple Grove Cemetery Association in the town of Westport;

To amend "An Act fixing the time and place of holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk;"

To confirm and legalize the acts and decisions of Charles Winslow Hall as trial-justice of the town of Winthrop;

In addition to "An Act for supplying South Adams with pure water;"

Relating to the bonds of persons appointed by the Governor, or by the Governor and Council;

Authorizing the Governor and Council to revoke certain appointments;

Relative to the appointment of special sheriffs; and

In addition to "An Act to incorporate the Hingham Water Company;"

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To secure the construction of bridge-guards at all bridges above railroad-tracks;

To amend "An Act in relation to licensing vehicles to convey persons to and from the State muster-field in the town of Framingham;" and

Authorizing the Fitchburg Railroad Company and the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company to change their location in the town of Belmont (the House refusing to amend by striking out the proviso inserted at the end of section 2 at the previous stage, as moved by Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Brockton Savings Bank in the town of Brockton was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At five minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

FRIDAY, Feb. 25, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Sugar-beets.

By Mr. Thompson of Medway, petition of James M. Daniels and others; and, by Mr. Fiske of Holliston, petition of A. J. Cass and others, — severally for a bounty on sugar-beets.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Charles-river
esplanade.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition in aid of an order in relation to the Charles-river esplanade. Referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Ten-hour law.

By Mr. Forbes of Westborough, remonstrance of J. W. Hammond and others against the proposed amendments to the ten-hour law, making its provisions applicable to men, and against requiring manufacturing corporations to pay their employes weekly or fortnightly. Referred to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Burt of Boston, petition of John Conness and others for legislation to confine the school committee of Boston within the appropriations made by the city council. Referred to the committee on Education. Boston school committee.

By Mr. Whitney of Millbury, petition of W. R. Hill and others for an act to regulate the flow of sewage into the Blackstone River. Referred to the committee on Public Health. Blackstone River.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, remonstrances of F. A. Brooks and others, William Ingalls and others, Edward A. White and others, Gilman Collamore and others; by Mr. Farrar of Abington, remonstrance of Francis Jaques and others; by Mr. Brackett of Boston, remonstrances of Charles H. Onthank and others, and Richardson, Hill, & Company, and others, — severally against elevated railroads. Elevated railroads.

Severally referred to the committee on Street Railways.

By Mr. Paddack of Nantucket, petition of Lydia S. Macy and 64 others for woman suffrage. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage. Woman suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Gifford of Salem, was rejected by a vote of 75 to 80: —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways be and are hereby authorized to visit New York for the purpose of examining elevated railroads in operation in that city at such time as they may deem expedient. Committee on Street Railways.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Parratt of West Brookfield, a Resolve in favor of the widow of George M. Newton. Read, and referred, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Finance, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. Widow of George M. Newton.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Hill of Boston moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law concerning hawking and peddling near camp-meetings. The motion was lost by a vote of 45 to 51. Peddling near camp-meetings.

*Papers from the Senate.*Nantasket
Beach.

The House Bill for the consolidation of the Nantasket Beach, the Hull and Nantasket Beach, and the Boston, Hingham, and Hull Railroad Companies, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule moved by Mr. Brown of Boston; and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Costs in civil
causes.

A Bill relating to costs in civil causes, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Newburyport
Water Com-
pany.

A Bill in addition to "An Act to incorporate the Newburyport Water Company," reported on a petition, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Marriage,
divorce, and
alimony.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint special committee on Probate and Chancery consider the expediency of transferring to the probate court all causes of marriage, divorce, and alimony.

Elevated
railroads.

Remonstrances of Joseph H. Adams and others, Edward P. Hurd and others, William S. Dexter and others, Carter, Harris, & Hawley, and others, Charles A. Welch and others, and Cutler Brothers & Company and others, — severally against elevated railroads in Boston, — were severally referred in concurrence to the committee on Street Railways.

Bills Enacted, and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Making additional appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1880;

In relation to office hours in the treasury department;

In relation to taking and selling, on execution, rights of redeeming land from tax-sales;

To authorize the town of Brockton to issue additional water-scrip, and to limit the amount thereof;

Authorizing the New Haven and Northampton Company to issue bonds;

To authorize the Haverhill and Groveland Street Railway Company to establish and maintain a ferry across Merrimack River;

To amend chapter 218 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to the release of prisoners for good conduct ;

To amend the law regulating fishing in Connecticut River and its tributaries ;

In addition to "An Act to incorporate the Central Wharf and Wet Dock Corporation ;"

In relation to payments of fines and costs to keepers of jails and masters of houses of correction ;

To amend the "Act to incorporate the Long Pond Fishing Company in Yarmouth ;" and

To amend "An Act to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Essex to lay out a highway and construct a bridge over Ipswich River ;"

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To regulate the taking of fish in North River, in the county of Plymouth ;

In relation to jurisdiction of offences committed in the State Prison ;

In relation to subordinate officers for the Reformatory Prison for Women ; and

Relating to the transaction of fidelity insurance in this Commonwealth ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the Crosby Steam-Gauge and Valve Company (which originated in the House) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve
passed.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to providing for the admission of equitable defences and answers in actions at law ;

Equitable
defences.

On an order relative to retiring, on allowance, justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts and judges of probate ;

Retiring judges.

On an order relative to a revision and change in the judicial system of the State, relating to civil business other than equity ; and

Revision of the
judicial system.

On an order relative to providing clerical assistance for the judges of the Supreme Judicial Court ; and

Clerical assist-
ance for Su-
preme Court.

Leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. F. Pope and others for a law giving greater rights of flowage to persons engaged in producing ice.

Flowage by ice-
producers.

Bonds to dissolve attachments.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, from the same committee :
Inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the General Statutes so as to authorize commissioners of insolvency to approve bonds to dissolve attachments; and

Assessments on real estate in Boston.

Leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Boston, for a change in the law in regard to the levying and recording of assessments on real estate in said city.

Practice of law by judges.

By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to practice of the law by judges of probate, district, municipal, and police courts in the counties where they hold their respective courts; and

Tax-titles.

On an order relative to providing by law a penalty for violating the provisions of the statutes fixing the cost of redeeming tax-titles.

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate :

Leasing household furniture.

On an order relative to legislation concerning the business of leasing household furniture; and

Answers in trustee process.

On an order (recommitted) relative to answers in trustee process.

Dower in insolvent estates.

By Mr. Wales of Randolph, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enabling assignees of insolvent debtors to relieve real property belonging to the insolvent estate from the encumbrance arising from the contingent right of dower of the debtor's wife therein.

Rights of insolvent debtors.

By Mr. Whitney of Winchendon, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to protect the rights of insolvent debtors during the pendency of proceedings in insolvency.

Commissioner of insolvency.

By Mr. White of Taunton, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing so much of the General Statutes as relates to the office of commissioner of insolvency.

Ensilage.

By Mr. Shores of Lee, from the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. A. Richardson and others for an investigation of the subject of ensilage by the Legislature.

Nocuous plants.

By Mr. Dorman of Belchertown, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of P. G. Bowerman and others for a law compelling the clearing of land of Canada thistles, wild carrot, and other nocuous plants.

Savings-bank books lost.

By Mr. Thomas of Brookline, from the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order

relative to protecting the rights of depositors in savings banks, whose deposit-books have been lost or stolen.

By Mr. Jacobs of Hingham, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to fixing the time when deposits in savings banks shall begin to draw interest.

Interest on deposits in savings banks.

By Mr. Parratt of West Brookfield, from the committee on Claims, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Amaziah Mayo for recompense of sums expended by him in building the State Normal School boarding-house at Westfield.

A. Mayo.

By Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to secure the better attendance of children upon the public schools.

School attendance.

By Mr. Corey of Bedford, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to giving instruction in the public schools in the civil polity of the State and of the United States.

Instruction in civil polity.

By Mr. Hadley of Marion, from the committee on the Fisheries, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending or repealing the law concerning the use of seines in certain rivers.

Seines.

By Mr. Bryant of Russell, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to opening the polls at six o'clock A.M. on days of national, State, and municipal elections.

Opening polls on election days.

By Mr. Porter of Rowe, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the charter of the city of Holyoke so that aldermen of said city shall be voted for by the voters of the city at large.

Holyoke charter.

By Mr. Gilman of Andover, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing the adulteration of milk, and the charging of a fee for the sale of milk.

Milk.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge, from the committee on Public Health, to whom was referred the petition of the mayor of Cambridge, that said city may take the water of Shawsheen River as an additional source of water-supply, that it appeared "that, by an oversight, the notice required by law was not given" by the petitioner, and the petition was therefore reported back for such action as the Legislature may deem proper."

Cambridge — Shawsheen River.

On motion of Mr. Wells of Cambridge, the rule was suspended, and on his further motion the report was recommitted to the committee on Public Health, "with instructions to hear the petitioner, after such notice, to be given by the petitioner, without expense to the Commonwealth, as the committee may direct."

Sent up for concurrence.

St. John's
Church, Boston.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to incorporate St. John's Church, Boston Highlands, ought to pass.

Fall River
charter.

By Mr. Reed of Fall River, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to amend the charter of the city of Fall River ought to pass.

Corporation
taxes.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the same committee, that the Bill to amend "An Act concerning the collection of State taxes upon corporations" ought to pass.

State Library.

By Mr. Hayden of Woburn, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the State Library ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Hosea
Hathaway.

By Mr. Fiske of Holliston, from the committee on Claims, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Hosea Hathaway. Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Prohibitory
liquor law.

By Mr. Forbes of Westborough, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on petitions for the enactment of a prohibitory law, and that the question of prohibition or license may be submitted to a vote of the whole people, a Bill concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. Mr. Quigley of the Senate, and Mr. White of the House, dissented from the report; and Mr. Bugbee of Boston submitted his views in writing, which were printed with the report. (See House Doc. No. 149.)

The bill was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Trials before
sheriff's juries.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill in relation to costs in trials had in the Superior Court instead of before sheriff's juries.

Bonds to dis-
solve attach-
ments.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill authorizing any justice of any court of record to approve bonds to dissolve attachments:

Orders affecting
title of land.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill in relation to the registration and filing of orders affecting the title of land.

By Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to authorize the attachment by the trustee process of funds, credits, and dividends in the hands of receivers. Trusteeing funds in hands of receivers.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend the law in relation to the repair of highways, and remedies for injuries sustained thereon. Injuries on highways.

By Mr. Cogswell, of Salem, from the same committee, on an order and petitions in aid thereof, a Bill to secure the speedy trial of suits against the owners, officers, or seamen of foreign ships or vessels. Suits against foreign ships.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on petitions and a remonstrance relative to the subject, a Bill relative to the jurisdiction of the municipal court of the East Boston district over the town of Winthrop. Winthrop.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the same committee, on an order relative to a district court comprising the towns of Waltham, Watertown, and Weston, a Bill to establish the second district court of Eastern Middlesex. Second district court of Eastern Middlesex.

By Mr. Wales of Randolph, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, that the Senate Bill relating to suits brought by or against executors, administrators, guardians, trustees, assignees, or corporations ought to pass in a new draft with the same title. Executors, administrators, etc.

By Mr. Carleton of Georgetown, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to amend the charter of the Massachusetts Loan and Trust Company. Massachusetts Loan and Trust Company.

By Mr. Baker of Medfield, from the committee on Insurance, on petition of the Traders' and Mechanics' Insurance Company of Lowell for the right to redeem its guaranty capital, a Bill to provide for the redemption of the guaranty capital of mutual fire-insurance companies. Guaranty capital of mutual fire-insurance companies.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on petition of the mayor of Boston for authority to take certain portions of Charles-river flats for constructing an embankment on Charles River, a Bill in addition to "An Act for the laying-out of public parks in or near the city of Boston." Charles-river embankment.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, the Bill giving women the right to vote for members of school committees, and on other matters pertaining to public schools, was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a Voting by women for school committees.

third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, further consideration of the bill was postponed until next Tuesday, on further motion of Mr. Higginson, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Orders of the Day.

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Reports of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Charles E. Hapgood and Thomas H. Talbot in behalf of Post 148, G. A. R., for a general act of incorporation ;

On the petition of the mayor of Chelsea for an act authorizing the appointment of a city clerk *pro tempore* ;

On the petition of John H. Stark and others for an act for the better protection of abandoned real estate ;

On the petition of E. C. Sawyer and others for the establishment of a court to be known as the Western Worcester District Court ; and

On the petition of E. B. Goodsell and others for such legislation as will enlarge and extend the liabilities of employers for injuries sustained by their employes ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing boards of aldermen, selectmen, overseers of the poor, and license commissioners to require testimony under oath ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the trustees of the Methodist-Episcopal Church in Springfield for leave to fund their debt ;

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the election of State directors of the Boston and Albany Railroad ;

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to securing better attendance of children in the public schools ; and

On an order relative to supplying pupils in the public schools with certain text-books free of charge ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William Upham and others for incorporation of the Spencer Gas Company ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 202 of the Acts of the

year 1879, relative to the furnishing of steam for heating by gas companies; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the poll-tax shall be a uniform tax of two dollars in all cases throughout the State;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill (on leave) relating to costs in civil causes was, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, laid on the table, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill (on leave) to increase the jurisdiction of the police court of Newton; and the

Senate Bill in relation to law library associations;

Were severally rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and notice of the rejection of the bill last named was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to amend "An Act to establish the compensation of the special justices of the police and district courts in the Commonwealth" was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, further consideration of the bill was postponed until Monday, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem.

The Bill to incorporate the town of Wellesley was read a second time, and was, on motion of Mr. Morse of Newton, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, postponed for further consideration until next Wednesday, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

The Senate Bill to incorporate the States Union Telegraph and Telegraph Construction Company was read a second time, and considered. An amendment moved by Mr. Tufts of Boston was adopted, and, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, further consideration of the bill was postponed until Monday.

The Bill to supply the town of Weymouth with pure water was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, was, on motion of Mr. Porter of Quincy, postponed for further consideration until Monday.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of New Bedford for an act to legalize certain doings relative to altering and widening William Street, was, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, laid on the table.

The Bill to authorize the city of Boston to attach meters to buildings which it supplies with water was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, laid on the table.

The House concurred with the Senate in the amendments to the House Bill in addition to "An Act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors," and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Bills:

Concerning records of town proprietaries and indexes in registries of deeds;

Authorizing reimbursement for reasonable expenditures by counsel assigned to the defence of persons accused of capital crimes;

Concerning the right of the Commonwealth to vote on its stock in railroad corporations (amended, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, by substituting a new bill with the same title);

To empower the Baptist Religious Society in Haverhill to convey its real estate free of trusts;

To amend chapter 381 of the Acts of the year 1871, concerning street-railway corporations;

For the regulation and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston;

To change the name of the Clarendon Hills Evangelical Society;

To include the town of Washington within the jurisdiction of the district court of Central Berkshire;

To amend the charter of the Worcester Safe Deposit and Trust Company;

To establish the office of clerk of the police court of the city of Holyoke;

To amend "An Act concerning married women doing business on their separate account;"

To amend section 17 of chapter 7 of the General Statutes, concerning election-returns;

To make the thirtieth day of May, known as Decoration Day, a legal holiday;

In addition to "An Act limiting the forfeiture of policies in life-insurance companies;"

To incorporate the Mechanics' Exchange; and

To incorporate the Uxbridge Water Company; and the Resolve to authorize the sale of the State arsenal at Cambridge;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish the city of Malden ;

To authorize the city of Haverhill to occupy a portion of a public landing in said city ;

To incorporate the Maple Grove Cemetery Association in the town of Westport ;

To amend "An Act fixing the time and place of holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk ;"

To confirm and legalize the acts and decisions of Charles Winslow Hall as trial-justice of the town of Winthrop ;

In addition to "An Act for supplying South Adams with pure water ;" and

In addition to "An Act to incorporate the Massachusetts Hospital Life-Insurance Company" (amended, on motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston, by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 3) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to the bonds of persons appointed by the Governor, or by the Governor and Council ;

Authorizing the Governor and Council to revoke certain appointments ;

Relative to the appointment of special sheriffs ; and

In addition to "An Act to incorporate the Hingham Water Company ;"

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill amending chapter 211 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to the descent of real estate of husband and wife dying intestate and without issue, was further considered. The pending amendments, moved by Mr. Baker of Beverly, to insert a new section, to be numbered section 2, was adopted, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At ten minutes past five o'clock the House adjourned.

MONDAY, Feb. 28, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

- Teachers.** By Mr. Stover of Boston, remonstrance of Charles H. Pendergast and others against a law allowing school committees to elect teachers to serve for a term of years, or during good behavior. Referred to the committee on Education.
- Elevated railways.** By Mr. Willcutt of Boston, remonstrance of Tracy P. Cheever and 108 others; and, by Mr. Brackett of Boston, remonstrances of S. C. Van Petten and others, Charles Henry Parker and others,—severally against elevated railways.
Severally referred to the committee on Street Railways.
Severally sent up for concurrence.
- Boston — Shaw-sheen River.** By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of Frederick O. Prince, mayor of Boston, for an act giving the city of Boston the right to take water from Shawsheen River for the supply of said city. Referred, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Public Health, and sent up for concurrence.
- Joseph M. Day.** By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, remonstrance of Nathan Edson and others against the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate of Barnstable County. Placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

- Boston, Hartford, and Erie sinking-fund.** The report of the committee on Railroads, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the commissioners of the Boston, Hartford, and Erie Railroad sinking-fund, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule.
- Mary A. Brigham.** The report of the committee on Claims, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Mary A. Brigham for compensation for injuries received at the State lunatic-hospital at Worcester, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.
- Certain special laws.** A Resolve providing for the publication of certain special laws, reported on an order, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.
- Walter Shanly.** The following petitions were referred in concurrence : —
Petition of A. C. Houghton and others in favor of the claim of Walter Shanly. To the committee on Claims.

Remonstrance of Jonathan Stone and others against restricting school committees in their expenditures of moneys appropriated for public schools. To the committee on Education. School committees.

Remonstrances of J. Baker & Company and others, J. B. Williams and others, O. D. Witherell and others, and William S. Stearns and others, — severally against elevated railroads. Elevated railroads.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Newton for authority to take or accept land for public parks. Newton parks.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Newton for a revision of its charter. Newton charter.

By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to protect the rights of owners of real estate sold upon sheriff's sale. Sheriff's sales.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the jurisdiction of the several municipal, district, and police courts, and the writs issuing therefrom, and the service thereof. Minor courts.

By Mr. Stowe of Hudson, from the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joseph Hicks and others for the annexation of a portion of the town of Hingham and a portion of the town of Cohasset to the town of Hull. Hingham, Cohasset, and Hull.

By Mr. Cawley of Lowell, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to fixing the number of legal voters that shall constitute a quorum at town-meetings held for the purpose of appropriating public money. Quorum at town-meetings.

By Mr. Morse of Newton, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Chase Parker and others for the annexation to Boston of that part of the town of Quincy known as Atlantic, Squantum, and Moon Island. Boston, Atlantic, Squantum, and Moon Island.

By Mr. Stowe of Hudson, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of W. H. Litchfield and others, that the name of the town of Hull may be changed to Nantasket. Hull.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Joseph M. Day. By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the special committee appointed to investigate the matter of the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate of Barnstable County, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the same, and recommending its reference to a joint committee (Messrs. Bowerman of Pittsfield, Muzzey of Cambridge, and Reed of Taunton, dissenting). (See House Doc. No. 165.) Read, and, under suspension of the rule moved by Mr. Cogswell, placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Organ at State Prison. By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, from the committee on Prisons, on an order, a Resolve relating to the purchase of an organ for the State Prison at Concord. Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Town-halls and ward-rooms. By Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, from the committee on Towns, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Bill (on leave) to disseminate political knowledge among the people, and recommending its reference to the committee on Labor. Read, accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Service of civil process by constables. By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to amend "An Act relating to the service of civil process by constables" ought not to pass.

Costs in civil causes. By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to costs in civil causes ought not to pass.

City marshals and police. By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the same committee, that the Bill (on leave) relative to the appointment of city marshals and police officers in certain cities ought not to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question in each case being on the rejection of the bill.

Fees for lock-ups. By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to fees allowed for the use of lock-ups ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Brockton. By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish the city of Brockton.

Assistant attorney, northern district. By Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, from the same committee, on a bill (on leave), a Bill to provide for the appointment of an assistant attorney for the northern district.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Worcester to purchase, hold, and sell certain land in said city. Worcester.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to provide for an assistant clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court and Superior Court in and for the county of Bristol. Assistant clerk,
Bristol County.

By Mr. Allen of Lowell, from the committee on Railroads, on an order, a Bill to protect the lives of railroad brakemen. Brakemen.

By Mr. Almy of Salem, from the committee on Towns, on a bill (on leave), a Bill to amend "An Act to authorize towns to raise money to celebrate certain anniversaries." Town anni-
versaries.

By Mr. Morse of Newton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve for the appointment of commissioners to establish the boundary-line between the towns of Chilmarch and Tisbury. Chilmarch and
Tisbury.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, the Bill to empower the Baptist Religious Society in Haverhill to convey its real estate free of trusts was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on engrossment, the bill was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies. Haverhill Bap-
tist Religious
Society.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Cogswell of Salem moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House on Friday last rejected the Senate Bill in relation to law library associations. The motion prevailed, and, pending the recurring question on rejection of the bill, it was, on further motion of Mr. Cogswell, placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Law library
associations.

Laid on the Table.

In response to an order adopted Jan. 25, a statement of losses, policy claims, matured endowments, annuities, surrender values, dividends, etc., paid to Massachusetts policy-holders from 1873 to 1880, was made by the insurance commissioner. Losses, etc.,
paid by insur-
ance companies.

A list of organizations incorporated during the years 1872-1880, inclusive, was received from the secretary of the Commonwealth. Organizations
incorporated.

Severally laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

*Taken from the Table.***Attorney-general.**

The annual report of the attorney-general was, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, taken from the table, and placed on file.

Costs in civil causes.

The Bill (on leave) relating to costs in civil causes was, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, taken from the table, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

Water-meters.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, the Bill to authorize the city of Boston to attach meters to buildings which it supplies with water was taken from the table, and, on his further motion, was, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

*Orders of the Day.***Orders of the day.**

Reports of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order (recommitted) relative to answers in trustee process ;

On an order relative to providing for the admission of equitable defences and answers in actions at law ;

On an order relative to amending the General Statutes so as to authorize commissioners of insolvency to approve bonds to dissolve attachments ;

On an order relative to practice of the law by judges of probate, district, municipal, and police courts in the counties where they hold their respective courts ;

On an order relative to providing clerical assistance for the judges of the Supreme Judicial Court ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of the mayor of Boston for a change in the law in regard to the levying and recording of assessments on real estate in said city ; and

On the petition of J. F. Pope and others for a law giving greater rights of flowage to persons engaged in producing ice ;

Of the committee on Probate and Chancery, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to legislation to protect the rights of insolvent debtors during the pendency of proceedings in insolvency ;

On an order relative to repealing so much of the General Statutes as relates to the office of commissioner of insolvency ; and

On an order relative to enabling assignees of insolvent debtors to relieve real property belonging to the insolvent estate from the encumbrance arising from the contingent right of dower of the debtor's wife therein ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of J. A. Richardson and others for an investigation of the subject of ensilage by the Legislature ; and

On the petition of P. G. Bowerman and others for a law compelling the clearing of land of Canada thistles, wild carrot, and other nocuous plants ;

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to protecting the rights of depositors in savings banks whose deposit-books have been lost or stolen ; and

On an order relative to fixing the time when deposits in savings banks shall begin to draw interest ;

Of the committee on Claims, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Amaziah Mayo for recompense of sums expended by him in building the State Normal School boarding-house at Westfield ;

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to legislation to secure the better attendance of children upon the public schools ; and

On an order relative to giving instruction in the public schools in the civil polity of the State and of the United States ;

Of the committee on the Fisheries, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending or repealing the law concerning the use of seines in certain rivers ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to opening the polls at six o'clock A.M. on days of national, State, and municipal elections ; and

On an order relative to amending the charter of the city of Holyoke ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing the adulteration of milk, and the charging of a fee for the sale of milk ;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The reports of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to providing by law a penalty for violating the provisions of the statutes fixing the cost of redeeming tax-titles ; and

On an order relative to legislation concerning the business of leasing household furniture ;

Were severally postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motions of Mr. McGeough of Boston.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to retiring, on allowance, justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts and judges of probate, was, on motion of Mr. Wells of Cambridge, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, pending a motion of the same gentleman to substitute for the report a "Bill providing for the retirement of justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts and judges of probate and insolvency, and for their compensation in certain cases," which was read, and ordered to be printed.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to a revision and change in the judicial system of the State, relating to civil business other than equity, was, on motion of Mr. Wells of Cambridge, postponed for further consideration until next Thursday.

The Bill to amend "An Act to establish the compensation of the special justices of the police and district courts in the Commonwealth" was further considered, amended on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the States Union Telegraph and Telegraph Construction Company was further considered. Mr. J. G. Webster of Boston moved an amendment to the bill, pending which, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, further consideration of the matter was postponed until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Brown of Reading.

The Bill to supply the town of Weymouth with pure water was further considered, and was, on motion of Mr. Jacobs of Hingham, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, pending the question on its engrossment.

The Bill to provide for the redemption of the guaranty

capital of mutual fire-insurance companies was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on motion of Mr. Porter of Quincy, recommitted to the committee on Insurance.

The Bill to amend the law in relation to the repair of highways, and remedies for injuries sustained thereon, was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Bills:

To authorize the attachment by the trustee process of funds, credits, and dividends in the hands of receivers ;

In addition to "An Act for the laying out of public parks in or near the city of Boston ;"

To secure the speedy trial of suits against the owners, officers, or seamen of foreign ships or vessels ;

Relative to the jurisdiction of the municipal court of the East Boston district over the town of Winthrop ;

To amend "An Act concerning the collection of State taxes upon corporations ;"

Relating to suits brought by or against executors, administrators, guardians, trustees, assignees, or corporations ;

In relation to the registration and filing of orders affecting the title of land ;

Authorizing any justice of any court of record to approve bonds to dissolve attachments ;

To amend the charter of the Massachusetts Loan and Trust Company ;

In relation to costs in trials had in the Superior Court instead of before sheriff's juries ;

To establish the second district court of Eastern Middlesex ;

To incorporate St. John's Church, Boston Highlands ;

To amend the charter of the city of Fall River ; and

In addition to "An Act to incorporate the Newburyport Water Company ;" and the

Resolve in favor of the State Library ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

Concerning records of town proprietaries and indexes in registries of deeds ;

Authorizing reimbursement for reasonable expenditures

by counsel assigned to the defence of persons accused of capital crimes ;

Concerning the right of the Commonwealth to vote on its stock in railroad corporations ;

To amend chapter 381 of the Acts of the year 1871, concerning street-railway corporations ;

For the regulation and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston ;

To change the name of the Clarendon Hills Evangelical Society ;

To include the town of Washington within the jurisdiction of the district court of Central Berkshire ;

To amend the charter of the Worcester Safe Deposit and Trust Company ; and

To establish the office of clerk of the police court of the city of Holyoke ; and the

Resolve to authorize the sale of the State arsenal at Cambridge ;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To amend " An Act concerning married women doing business on their separate account ; "

To amend section 17 of chapter 7 of the General Statutes, concerning election-returns ;

In addition to " An Act limiting the forfeiture of policies in life-insurance companies ; "

To incorporate the Mechanics' Exchange ;

To incorporate the Uxbridge Water Company ; and

To make the thirtieth day of May, known as Decoration Day, a legal holiday (amended, on motions of Mr. Marshall of Worcester, by striking out the word " Decoration," and inserting instead the word " Memorial," both in the body of the bill and in the title) ;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, and the bill last named was sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

At twenty minutes before four o'clock adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 1, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Strong of Northampton, petition of the Hampshire, Franklin, and Hampden Agricultural Society for the establishment of an experiment station at Amherst. Referred to the committee on Agriculture. Experiment station.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Phillips of Springfield, —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns on Friday, the 4th inst., it be to meet on Tuesday, March 8, at two o'clock P.M. Adjournment.

Papers from the Senate.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John P. Jones and others for a law establishing a uniform size for baskets in which wood is offered for sale, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Wood-baskets.

Bills :

Amending the law relating to applications for a jury in the city of Boston under the General Railroad Act of the year 1874 (reported on a bill introduced on leave in the Senate); Boston — jury under the General Railroad Act.

To change the name of the Newton Corner Baptist Church and Society, and to confirm the doings thereof; and Newton Corner Baptist Church.

To change the name of the Congregational Society of "The South Parish of Wilbraham" (reported on a petition); Congregational Society, South Parish, Wilbraham.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Remonstrances of Greeley H. Johnson and others, Joseph Pyser and others, — severally against elevated railroads, — were severally referred in concurrence to the committee on Street Railways. Elevated railroads.

*Bills Enacted.**Engrossed bills :*

Bills enacted.

To incorporate the Milford Water Company;

In addition to "An Act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors;" and

For the consolidation of the Nantasket Beach, the Hull

and Nantasket Beach, and the Boston, Hingham, and Hull Railroad Companies ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To incorporate the Brockton Savings Bank in the town of Brockton ;

In addition to "An Act to incorporate the Hingham Water Company ;"

Relating to the bonds of persons appointed by the Governor, or by the Governor and Council ;

Authorizing the Governor and Council to revoke certain appointments ;

Relative to the appointment of special sheriffs ; and

To amend chapter 135 of the Acts of the year 1878, concerning the records of locations of railroads ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Springfield. By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the charter of the city of Springfield.

Non-resident corporations. By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to suits and service of process on non-resident corporations.

Equity jurisdiction. By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 113 of the General Statutes, in relation to the equity jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Supreme-court judges. By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the number of judges of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Barbed wire fences. By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Nathaniel B. Clapp and others for legislation making railroad corporations and others responsible for damage caused by the use of barbed wire fences.

Town indebtedness to the Commonwealth. By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Finance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order authorizing cities and towns to discharge their indebtedness to the Commonwealth before maturity.

Middlesex-county commissioners. By Mr. Fay of Boston, from the committee on County Estimates, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the county commissioners of Middlesex County for an increase of salary.

By Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to permitting officers of instruction and government of Harvard College to vote for overseers of said college. Harvard College overseers.

By Mr. Galvin of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to certificates issued by school committees to children employed in manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishments. School certificates to children employed in factories.

By Mr. Wood of Hopkinton, from the committee on the Fisheries, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law concerning the inspection of fish. Inspection of fish.

By Mr. Keith of Brockton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing the consolidation, transfer, or sale of any telegraph or telephone company organized under the laws of Massachusetts, except by authority of the Legislature. Telegraph and telephone company.

By Mr. Coney of Springfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relating to the support of the orphan-children of soldiers and sailors who served in the late war. Soldiers' orphans.

By Mr. Plunkett of Worcester, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the better protection of passengers on railroad-trains in cases of accident. Protection of passengers.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to establish the salaries of district attorneys. District attorneys' salaries.

By Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, from the committee on Education, on the annual report of the Board of Education, in part, a Resolve providing for certain expenses connected with the removal of the State Normal Art School. State Normal Art School.

By Mr. Coney of Springfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the report of the adjutant-general, in part, a Resolve relating to the war records in the department of the adjutant-general. War records.

Severally read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill in relation to the foreclosure and redemption of mortgages ought not to pass. Mortgages.

By Mr. Merritt of Springfield, from the committee on Industrial conciliation.

Finance, that the Resolve relative to industrial conciliation and arbitration ought not to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question in each case being on rejection.

H. Hathaway.

By Mr. Prouty of Spencer, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Hosea Hathaway ought to pass.

Organ for the State Prison.

By Mr. Foster of Tewksbury, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve relating to the purchase of an organ for the State Prison at Concord ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Attachment of goods on execution.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a bill (on leave), a Bill relating to the attachment or taking of goods on execution, and to bonds given thereon.

Actions of tort.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relating to jurisdiction over actions of tort.

Marblehead parks.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to provide for laying out public parks in the town of Marblehead.

Judgment-debtors.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order adopted Feb. 2, a Bill concerning judgment-debtors.

Peabody Institute.

By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Peabody Institute in Peabody.

Second assistant clerk — Suffolk.

By Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to fix the compensation of the second assistant clerk of the Superior Court for civil business in the county of Suffolk.

Tunnel.

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relating to the redemption of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel.

Writs against sheriffs.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relating to the service of writs and other process against sheriffs.

Visitors to the State Prison.

By Mr. Prouty of Spencer, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve relative to the petition of Samuel E. Chamberlain ought to pass in a new draft with the title "Resolve relative to the reimbursement of the warden of the State Prison for expenses incurred in the entertainment of official visitors."

Merrimack and Connecticut Rivers.

By Mr. Tappan of Manchester, from the committee on the Fisheries, on an order relative to the cultivation of

useful fishes, a Bill relative to the taking of fish from the Merrimack and Connecticut rivers and their tributaries.

By Mr. Kelley of Harwich, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill providing for the preservation of lobsters. Lobsters.

By Mr. Evans of Taunton, from the same committee, on the report of the commissioners on inland fisheries, a Bill to regulate fishing in the Merrimack River. Merrimack River.

By Mr. Lyon of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, on an order, a Bill to amend "An Act relating to boards of health in the several cities of the Commonwealth." Boards of health in cities.

By Mr. Vining of Conway, from the same committee, on an order relative to boards of health in towns, and an order relative to the protection of children in public schools against contagious diseases, a Bill to amend chapter 26 of the General Statutes, relating to boards of health. Boards of health—diseases in schools.

By Mr. Clapp of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill concerning the Lancaster Railroad Company. Lancaster Railroad Company.

By Mr. I. E. Noyes of Boston, from the committee on County Estimates, on an order, a Bill concerning the payment of salaries of county officers. Salaries of county officers.

By Mr. Shores of Lee, from the committee on Agriculture, on an order, a Bill in relation to diseased and disabled animals. Disabled animals.

By Mr. Mackintosh of Needham, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill for the better preservation of deer. Deer.

By Mr. Sullivan of Middleborough, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on an order, a Bill to fix the times and places of holding sessions of the probate court in the county of Plymouth. Plymouth-county probate court.

By Mr. Wells of Cambridge, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 99 of the General Statutes, respecting the distribution of insolvent estates of deceased persons. Insolvent estates.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Kelley of Harwich, from the committee on the Fisheries, on a petition, a Bill to give Priscilla Freeman and her children the right to fish in Tisbury Great Pond, in Dukes County. Read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Priscilla Freeman.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Newton for a revision of its charter, was, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, referred to the next General Court.

The Bill giving women the right to vote for members of school committees, and on other matters pertaining to public schools, was further considered, amended on motions of Messrs. Shepard of Boston, and Higginson of Cambridge, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the States Union Telegraph and Telegraph Construction Company was further considered. The pending amendment of Mr. J. G. Webster of Boston was adopted, and the bill as amended was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to supply the town of Weymouth with pure water was, on motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, laid on the table, pending the question on its engrossment.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the business of leasing household furniture, was, on motion of Mr. Almy of Salem, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, pending a motion of the same gentleman to substitute for the report a "Bill in relation to conditional sales of personal property," which was read, and ordered to be printed.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to retiring, on allowance, justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior courts and judges of probate, was further considered. The pending motion of Mr. Wells of Cambridge, to amend by substituting for the report a bill, was adopted, and, the bill having been read once, it was ordered to a second reading. The same gentleman further moved a suspension of the rules, that the bill might be then considered. The motion prevailed, and the bill was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, further consideration of the matter was postponed until Wednesday, March 8, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law a penalty for violating the provisions of the statutes fixing the cost of redeeming tax-titles, was considered; and,

pending a motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston to amend by substituting a "Bill in relation to the collection of taxes," further consideration of the matter was postponed until to-morrow, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The Bill to amend the law in relation to the repair of highways, and remedies for injuries sustained thereon, was further considered. Mr. Reed of Taunton moved to amend by substituting a bill with the same title, pending which motion, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, further consideration of the bill was postponed until to-morrow, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Newton for authority to take or accept land for public parks, was considered; and, pending a motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem to substitute for the report a "Bill to provide for the laying-out of public parks in the city of Newton," further consideration of the matter was postponed until to-morrow, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to protect the rights of owners of real estate sold upon sheriff's sale, was considered; and, pending a motion of Mr. Brown of Boston to amend by substituting for the report a "Bill to further extend the time in certain cases for the redemption of real estate sold at sheriff's sale," further consideration of the matter was postponed until to-morrow, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The report of the special committee appointed to investigate the matter of the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate of Barnstable County, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the same, and recommending its reference to a joint committee, was, on motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, postponed for consideration until Tuesday, March 8.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the jurisdiction of the several municipal, district, and police courts, was accepted.

Reports of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw:

On the petition of W. H. Litchfield and others, that the name of the town of Hull may be changed to Nantasket;

On the petition of Chase Parker and others for the annexation to Boston of that part of the town of Quincy known as Atlantic, Squantum, and Moon Island; and

On the petition of Joseph Hicks and others for the annexation of a portion of the town of Hingham and a portion of the town of Cohasset to the town of Hull; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to fixing the number of legal voters that shall constitute a quorum at town meetings;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Claims, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Mary A. Brigham for compensation for injuries received at the State lunatic-hospital at Worcester, was accepted in concurrence.

The Senate Bill in relation to law library associations was considered. Its rejection, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, was negatived; and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to authorize the city of Boston to attach meters to buildings which it supplies with water was further considered, amended on motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, and ordered to a third reading.

Senate bills:

To amend "An Act relating to the service of civil process by constables;" and

Relating to costs in civil causes;

Were severally rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and notice of their rejection was sent to the Senate.

The Bill (on leave) relating to costs in civil causes; and the

Bill (on leave) relative to the appointment of city marshals and police officers in certain cities;

Were severally rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills:

Relating to fees allowed for the use of lock-ups;

To authorize the city of Worcester to purchase, hold, and sell certain land in said city;

To amend "An Act to authorize towns to raise money to celebrate certain anniversaries;"

To provide for an assistant clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court and superior court in and for the county of Bristol;

To establish the city of Brockton;

To provide for the appointment of an assistant attorney for the northern district; and

To protect the lives of railroad brakemen; and the

Resolve for the appointment of commissioners to establish the boundary-line between the towns of Chilmark and Tisbury;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To amend "An Act to establish the compensation of the special justices of the police and district courts in the Commonwealth" (amended on motions of Mr. Cogswell of Salem);

To authorize the attachment by the trustee process of funds, credits, and dividends in the hands of receivers;

In addition to "An Act for the laying-out of public parks in or near the city of Boston;"

To secure the speedy trial of suits against the owners, officers, or seamen of foreign ships or vessels (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read, "Bill relative to attachments in suits against the owners, officers, or seamen of foreign ships or vessels");

Relative to the jurisdiction of the municipal court of the East Boston district over the town of Winthrop;

To amend "An Act concerning the collection of State taxes upon corporations;"

Relating to suits brought by or against executors, administrators, guardians, trustees, assignees, or corporations;

In relation to the registration and filing of orders affecting the title of land;

Authorizing any justice of any court of record to approve bonds to dissolve attachments (the title being amended, on motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, to read, "Bill authorizing any justice of any court, or commissioner of insolvency, to approve bonds to dissolve attachments;" an amendment moved by the same gentleman, making the bill apply to any justice of any court, or commissioner of insolvency, having been adopted);

To amend the charter of the Massachusetts Loan and Trust Company;

In relation to costs in trials had in the superior court instead of before sheriff's juries; and

To establish the second district court of Eastern Middlesex;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To incorporate Saint John's Church, Boston Highlands;

To amend the charter of the city of Fall River; and

In addition to "An Act to incorporate the Newburyport Water Company;" and the

Resolve in favor of the State Library;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

At half-past four o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 2, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

Neglected children.

A Bill relating to the bonds of guardians of neglected and destitute children, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Sugar-beets.

A petition of the Franklin Harvest Club for a bounty on sugar-beets was referred in concurrence to the committee on Agriculture.

Bills:

Reformatory Prison.

In relation to the release of prisoners from the Reformatory Prison for Women (being a new draft of a House bill with the same title);

Ayer Water Company. Boston and Lowell and Nashua Railroads.

To incorporate the Ayer Water Company; and

To authorize the union of the Boston and Lowell and Nashua and Lowell Railroad corporations (reported on petitions);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Hinsdale Public Library.

A Bill to amend "An Act to incorporate the Public Library Association of Hinsdale," passed to be engrossed

by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the sums due the authorities or boards of health of cities and towns for the removal of the contents of privies, vaults, or cesspools, may constitute a lien on the real estate on which said privies and vaults are situated.

Privies and vaults.

By Mr. Wells of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to orders of notice and citations in probate court, and the manner of serving the same.

Citations in probate courts.

By Mr. Wales of Randolph, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring personal notice to all parties in interest upon the offering of any will for probate.

Notice on probate and wills.

By Mr. Mackintosh of Needham, from the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of W. H. B. Currier and others that the Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural and Horticultural Society may be incorporated.

Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural Society.

By Mr. E. R. Webster of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on a memorial of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, in relation to the need of attention to our future forest supplies.

Forest supplies.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to ascertaining the number of persons over twenty-one years of age who own neither real estate nor personal property above the value of one hundred dollars.

Estates over a hundred dollars.

By Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge, from the committee on the Liquor Law, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of M. J. C. Russell and others for an amendment to the Constitution, prohibiting the manufacture or sale, as beverages, of all intoxicating liquors, and petitions in aid of the same.

Prohibitory amendment to the Constitution.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Timothy J. Hennessey for State aid.

T. J. Hennessey.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Adelaide E. Palmer for State aid (Mr. Hastings of the Senate dissenting, and

A. E. Palmer.

recommending the passage of a Resolve in favor of Adelaide E. Palmer).

Bounties to
soldiers.

By Mr. Tinkham of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles W. Wood and others for a law giving to every soldier from the Commonwealth who served for two years or more such a sum as will make his State bounty \$325.

George A. Flint.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John I. Baker for State aid for the widow and minor children of George A. Flint, late of the 50th Regiment M. V. M.

Eleventh and
Twelfth Regi-
ments.

By Mr. Stevens of Clinton, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the report of the commissioners for State aid, on the investigation of the claims of the surviving members and the widows and children of deceased members of the Eleventh and Twelfth Regiments Massachusetts Volunteers.

Railroad-fares.

By Mr. Clapp of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating fares on railroads.

Mining and oil
companies.

By Mr. Fernald of Melrose, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to the taxation of mining, quarrying, and oil companies.

Ships in foreign
trade.

By Mr. Poor of Lawrence, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to exempting from taxation ships and vessels employed in foreign trade, and petitions in aid of the same (Messrs. Hastings and Fessenden of the Senate, and Mr. McCullough of the House, dissenting, and recommending the passage of a "Bill relating to the taxation of ships and vessels engaged in foreign trade").

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Railroad travel.

By Mr. Brown of Marblehead, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (on leave) to further provide for the safety of travel on railroads ought not to pass.

Priscilla
Freeman.

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill to give Priscilla Freeman and her children the right to fish in Tisbury Great Pond, in Dukes County, ought not to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being, in each case, on rejection.

Certain special
laws.

By Mr. Hayden of Woburn, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for the publication of

certain special laws ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Stevens of Malden, from the last-named committee, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Bill concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. The report was accepted, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Prohibitory
liquor law.

By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to set off the town of Natick from the jurisdiction of the first district court of Southern Middlesex.

Natick.

By Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill concerning jurisdiction in equity.

Equity jurisdic-
tion.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on a bill on leave, a Bill relating to the delivery by executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees of property in their hands to their successors upon their resignation.

Executors,
administrators,
etc.

By Mr. Hale of Milford, from the committee on Education, on an order, a Bill to improve the sanitary condition of the public schools.

Public schools.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on several petitions, a Bill concerning the tenure of office of teachers in the public schools.

Teachers.

By Mr. Stickney of Chelsea, from the committee on Insurance, on a petition, a Bill to establish fire-insurance districts.

Insurance
districts.

By Mr. Hughes of Truro, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, a Bill to extend the time within which the Massachusetts Institute of Technology may erect buildings on certain land in the city of Boston.

Institute of
Technology.

By Mr. Burke of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to authorize the construction of the Charles-river promenade.

Charles-river
promenade.

By Mr. Goulding of Lowell, from the same committee, on the annual report of the harbor and land commissioners, in part, a Resolve in relation to the connection of railroads with docks.

Railroads and
docks.

By Mr. Wonson of Gloucester, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the proprietors of Brandt Island, in the town of Mattapoisett, to construct and maintain a bridge over tide-water from the island to mainland.

Brandt Island.

Licenses for
club-houses.

By Mr. Look of Leominster, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on a Bill (on leave) for the suppression of common nuisances, and an order relative to tippling-places and liquor nuisances, a Bill to prevent the use of certain buildings, by clubs and other associations, for selling or dispensing intoxicating liquors without a license therefor.

Drunkenness.

By Mr. Bugbee of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend "An Act relative to the punishment for drunkenness."

Advertising
licenses.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a House order adopted Jan. 24, and on a Senate order relative to liquor licenses adopted Jan. 27, a Bill relative to advertising applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors, and restricting the granting of such licenses.

Sandwich
Camp-Meeting
Association.

By Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to legalize the doings of the Sandwich Camp-Meeting Association, and to change its name.

Conditional
pardons.

By Mr. Valpey of Lynn, from the committee on Prisons, on the report of the commissioners on prisons, in part, a Bill to amend "An Act relating to conditional pardons."

Newton and
Watertown
Gas-Light
Company.

By Mr. Livermore of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Newton and Watertown Gas-Light Company to lay pipes in Weston and Needham, and to increase its capital stock.

Municipal
woman suffrage.

By Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, from the committee on Woman Suffrage, on petitions, a Bill to secure to women the right to hold city and town offices, and to vote for city and town officers, upon all municipal affairs, and town and city business.

Fencing
railroads.

By Mr. Brown of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, on the report of the railroad commissioners, in part, a Bill fixing upon county commissioners the power of exempting railroads from the responsibility of fencing their locations.

Eastern and
Fitchburg
Railroads.

By Mr. Plunkett of Worcester, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to ratify and confirm an indenture by and between the Eastern Railroad Company and the Fitchburg Railroad Company.

Excise tax on
insurance
companies.

By Mr. Fernald of Melrose, from the committee on Taxation, on an order, and several petitions in aid of the same, a Bill to amend "An Act to impose an excise tax upon life-insurance companies."

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Railroad com-
missioners'
report.

By Mr. Allen of Lowell, from the committee on Railroads, no further legislation necessary, on the twelfth

annual report of the railroad commissioners. Read, and accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

In relation to returns from courts and trial-justices;

To amend "An Act concerning married women doing business on their separate account;"

To amend "An Act to incorporate the International Trust Company;" and

Relating to the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for the transaction of criminal business;

(Which severally originated in the House);

To incorporate the Mechanics' Exchange;

To incorporate the Uxbridge Water Company;

To amend section 17 of chapter 7 of the General Statutes, concerning election-returns; and

In addition to "An Act limiting the forfeiture of policies in life-insurance companies;"

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Hill of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the Senate Bill relating to costs in civil causes. The motion did not, however, prevail.

Costs in civil causes.

Orders of the Day.

Reports of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate:

Orders of the day.

On an order relative to increasing the number of judges of the Supreme Judicial Court;

On an order relative to amending chapter 118 of the General Statutes, in relation to the equity jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial Court; and

On an order relative to suits and service of process on non-resident corporations; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Nathaniel B. Clapp and others for legislation making railroad corporations and others responsible for damage caused by the use of barbed wire fences;

Were severally accepted.

Reports of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to permitting officers of instruction and government of Harvard College to vote for overseers of said college ; and

On an order relative to certificates issued by school committees to children employed in manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishments ;

Of the committee on the Fisheries, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law concerning the inspection of fish ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing the consolidation, transfer, or sale of any telegraph or telephone company organized under the laws of Massachusetts, except by authority of the Legislature ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relating to the support of the orphan-children of soldiers and sailors who served in the late war ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the better protection of passengers on railroad-trains in cases of accident ;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John P. Jones and others for a law establishing a uniform size for baskets in which wood is offered for sale, was accepted in concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to jurisdiction over actions of tort ;

Relating to the attachment or taking of goods on execution, and to bonds given thereon ;

Concerning the Lancaster Railroad Company ;

Concerning the payment of salaries of county officers ;

Providing for the preservation of lobsters ;

To provide for laying out public parks in the town of Marblehead ;

To incorporate the Peabody Institute in Peabody ;

Relating to the service of writs and other process against sheriffs ;

Relative to the taking of fish from the Merrimack and Connecticut Rivers and their tributaries ;

To fix the times and places of holding sessions of the probate court in the county of Plymouth ;

To amend "An Act relating to boards of health in the several cities of the Commonwealth;"

To regulate fishing in the Merrimack River;

To amend section 1 of chapter 99 of the General Statutes, respecting the distribution of insolvent estates of deceased persons;

For the better preservation of deer;

To change the name of the Newton Corner Baptist Church and Society, and to confirm the doings thereof;

To change the name of the Congregational Society of "The South Parish of Wilbraham;"

Amending the law relating to applications for a jury in the city of Boston under the general railroad act of the year 1874; and

In relation to law library associations; and the

Resolve in favor of Hosea Hathaway;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To authorize the city of Boston to attach meters to buildings which it supplies with water;

To authorize the city of Worcester to purchase, hold, and sell certain land in said city;

To amend "An Act to authorize towns to raise money to celebrate certain anniversaries;"

To provide for an assistant clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court and superior court in and for the county of Bristol (its title having been changed to read, "Bill to provide for an assistant clerk for the county of Bristol");

To establish the city of Brockton; and

To provide for the appointment of an assistant attorney for the northern district; and the

Resolve for the appointment of commissioners to establish the boundary-line between the towns of Chilmark and Tisbury;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

Relating to fees allowed for the use of lock-ups; and

To incorporate the States Union Telegraph and Telegraph Construction Company;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence; and the last-named bill was sent up for concurrence in an amendment adopted by the House.

The Bill to incorporate the town of Wellesley was further considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the orders of the day were laid on the table.

Without again taking up the orders of the day, the House,

At twenty minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 8, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Elevated
railroads.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, remonstrance of G. B. Du-bois and 52 others against elevated railroads. Referred to the committee on Street Railways.

Order.

Business in
hands of
committees.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge,—
Ordered, That the Speaker be requested to ascertain and lay before the House of Representatives, on or before Wednesday, March 9, the amount and character of the business remaining in the hands of any committee of the House.

Resolves Passed.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :
In favor of the widow of Alexander Hyde ; and
In favor of John William Robert Sawin ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;
Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate.

Peddlers'
license.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, in-expedient to legislate, on an order relative to a uniform license-fee of ten dollars to be charged to hawkers and peddlers, recommitted by the House with instructions to give a hearing, and sent up for concurrence, came down with the indorsement thereon that the Senate non-con-curred. The House receded from its action, and the report was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The House Bill concerning the running of railroad-trains on the Lord's Day came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule. Sunday trains.

The House Bill authorizing the ditching of South Beach in Edgartown, adjacent to Great Pond, and relative to the fisheries in said pond, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred under a suspension of the rule. South Beach and Great Pond, Edgartown.

A Bill to amend chapter 250 of the Acts of 1877, in relation to the arrest and examination of judgment-debtors, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Judgment-debtors.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the prevention of accidents in getting on and off from steam-cars while in motion, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Accidents on steam-cars.

The House Resolve providing for the construction of a double tenement house at the State Prison at Concord; and the State Prison.

Bill to incorporate the American Loan and Trust Company; American Loan and Trust Company.

Came down severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question in each case being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Bills:

Giving to the mayors of cities a veto power with respect to certain expenditures of school committees (reported on a portion of the Governor's address, on an order, and several petitions); Expenditures of school committees.

To provide for a single ballot at national and State elections (reported on an order, and a petition of Dean Dudley and others); and a Single ballot.

Resolve authorizing the loan of the military camp equipage of the State to posts of the Grand Army of the Republic (reported on a petition); Grand Army camp equipage.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Reports of Committees.

State Library.

By Mr. Hayden of Woburn, from the committee on the Library, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the State librarian. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Elevated
railroads.

By Mr. Brown of Marblehead, from the committee on Railroads, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the expediency of providing by law that no elevated railroad shall be constructed under the provisions of the general railroad act, or otherwise, without special authority from the Legislature, and recommending its reference to the committee on Street Railways. Read, accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Engineer at the
State Prison.

By Mr. Stover of Boston, from the committee on Prisons, on the report of the commissioners of prisons, in part, a Bill to provide for an engineer at the State Prison. Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Hinsdale Libra-
ry Association.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to amend "An Act to incorporate the Public Library Association of Hinsdale" ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Widow of
George M.
Newton.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the widow of George M. Newton ought to pass. Read a second and a third time under suspension of the rules, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Transportation
of cattle.

By Mr. Miller of Westminster, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the transportation of cattle to market.

Sales of liquor
to students.

By Mr. Snow of Raynham, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the sale of liquor to students.

Damages from
use of liquor.

By Mr. Look of Leominster, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to applying money received for liquor licenses for payment of damages caused by the use of liquor.

Native wines.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the sales of cider and native wines by the makers thereof.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Slocum of Dartmouth, from the committee on Prisons, on the annual report of the commissioners of prisons, in part, a Bill to provide for furnishing reading-matter in jails and houses of correction.

Reading-matter in jails.

By Mr. Goodwin of Chicopee, from the same committee, on the annual report of the commissioners of prisons, in part, a Bill to require copies of complaints or indictments to be sent with prisoners sentenced to the State Prison or to the Reformatory Prison for Women.

Complaints or indictments to be sent with prisoners.

By Mr. Bail of Boston, from the same committee, on the annual report of the commissioners of prisons, in part, a Bill to provide for aiding prisoners discharged from jails and houses of correction.

Discharged prisoners.

By Mr. Cable of Hyde Park, from the committee on Railroads, on an order, a Bill relative to employment by railroad companies of persons affected with defective sight or color-blindness.

Color-blindness.

By Mr. Newell of West Newbury, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition, a Bill providing for the repairing or reconstruction of the bridge across Merrimack River, between the town of Groveland and the city of Haverhill.

Groveland bridge.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

The Bill to amend "An Act relative to the punishment for drunkenness" was, on motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston, discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Punishment for drunkenness.

The Bill to amend the law in relation to the repair of highways, and remedies for injuries sustained thereon, was, on motion of Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, discharged from the orders of the day. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, and pending the amendment moved by Mr. Reed of Taunton, the bill was, on motion of Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next.

Injuries on highways.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to incorporate the town of Wellesley was further considered. Amendments moved by Mr. Cogswell of Salem were adopted, and after debate the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 119 to 71.

Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the business of leasing household furniture, was further considered, and, pending the motion of Mr. Almy of Salem to substitute a bill for the report, further consideration of the matter was postponed until next Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Metcalf of Springfield.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to a revision and change in the judicial system of the State, relating to civil business other than equity, was further considered, and was, on motion of Mr. Wells of Cambridge, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law a penalty for violating the provisions of the statutes fixing the cost of redeeming tax-titles, was further considered. The pending motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston to amend by substituting a bill was lost, and the report was accepted.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Newton for authority to take or accept land for public parks, was further considered. Amendments moved by Mr. Cogswell of Salem to the substitute bill moved by him were adopted, and the bill as amended was substituted for the report, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to protect the rights of owners of real estate sold upon sheriff's sale, was further considered. The pending motion of Mr. Brown of Boston to amend by substituting a bill was adopted, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the sums due the authorities or boards of health of cities and towns for the removal of the contents of privies, vaults, or cesspools; and

Reports of the committee on Probate and Chancery, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to orders of notice and citations in probate court, and the manner of serving the same; and

On an order relative to requiring personal notice to all parties in interest upon the offering of any will for probate; Were severally accepted.

Reports:

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on a memorial of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, in relation to our future forest supplies;

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to ascertaining the number of persons over twenty-one years of age who own neither real estate nor personal property above the value of one hundred dollars;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of M. J. C. Russell and others for an amendment to the Constitution, prohibiting the manufacture or sale, as beverages, of all intoxicating liquors;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw:

On the petition of Timothy J. Hennessey for State aid; and

On the petition of Charles W. Wood and others for a law giving to every soldier from the Commonwealth who served for two years or more such a sum as will make his State bounty three hundred and twenty-five dollars; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to the taxation of mining, quarrying, and oil companies;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill (on leave) to further provide for the safety of travel on railroads was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Railroads, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Bills:

To authorize the proprietors of Brandt Island, in the town of Mattapoisett, to construct and maintain a bridge over tide-water from the island to mainland;

Fixing upon county commissioners the power of exempting railroads from the responsibility of fencing their locations;

To authorize the Newton and Watertown Gas-Light Company to lay pipes in Weston and Needham, and to increase its capital stock;

To authorize the construction of the Charles-river promenade;

To extend the time within which the Massachusetts Institute of Technology may erect buildings on certain land in the city of Boston;

To authorize the union of the Boston and Lowell and Nashua and Lowell Railroad corporations ; and

In relation to the release of prisoners from the Reformatory Prison for Women ; and

Resolves :

Providing for the publication of certain special laws ; and

Relating to the purchase of an organ for the State Prison at Concord ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Concerning the payment of salaries of county officers ;

To provide for laying out public parks in the town of Marblehead (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read, " Bill to provide for laying out a public park in the town of Marblehead ") ;

To incorporate the Peabody Institute in Peabody ;

Relating to the service of writs and other process against sheriffs ;

Relative to the taking of fish from the Merrimack and Connecticut Rivers and their tributaries ;

To fix the times and places of holding sessions of the probate court in the county of Plymouth ;

To regulate fishing in the Merrimack River ; and

To amend section 1 of chapter 99 of the General Statutes, respecting the distribution of insolvent estates of deceased persons ; and the

Resolve in favor of Hosea Hathaway ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To change the name of the Newton Corner Baptist Church and Society, and to confirm the doings thereof ; and

To change the name of the Congregational Society of " The South Parish of Wilbraham ; "

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

At half-past five o'clock adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 4, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Remonstrance Presented.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, remonstrance of Henry Saltonstall and others against elevated railroads. Referred to the committee on Street Railways, and sent up for concurrence. Elevated railroads.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports:

Of the committee on the Fisheries, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of Beverly for an amendment of the law to prohibit the taking of fish by pounds, fykes, traps, etc.; and Taking of fish by pounds, etc.

Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to losses by explosions of steam-boilers; Steam-boilers.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for next Tuesday.

Taken from the Files.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the annual report of the attorney-general for the year 1880 was taken from the files, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Attorney-general.

Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

To provide that the receivers of insolvent savings banks and institutions for savings shall deposit certain moneys with the treasurer of the Commonwealth;

To secure the construction of bridge-guards at all bridges above railroad-tracks;

Authorizing the ditching of South Beach in Edgartown, adjacent to Great Pond, and relative to the fisheries in said pond; and

To amend "An Act in relation to licensing vehicles to convey persons to and from the State muster-field in the town of Framingham;"

(Which severally originated in the House);

In addition to "An Act to incorporate the Newburyport Water Company;"

Relating to fees allowed for the use of lock-ups;

Bills enacted.

To amend the charter of the city of Fall River;
 To make the thirtieth day of May, known as Memorial Day, a legal holiday; and
 To incorporate St. John's Church, Boston Highlands;
 (Which severally originated in the Senate);
 Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
 passed.

Engrossed resolves:
 In favor of Jane Parks;
 Authorizing the issue of arms to the State Normal School at Bridgewater; and
 In favor of Josephine A. Wyatt;
 (Which severally originated in the House); and
 In favor of the State Library (which originated in the Senate);
 Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Lunatic-hospitals at Northampton and Worcester.

By Mr. Burt of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary:

On the annual report of the trustees of the State Lunatic-Hospital at Northampton; and

On the annual report of the trustees of the State Lunatic-Hospital at Worcester.

Severally read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Exemption of widows' homesteads.

By Mr. Forbes of Westborough, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that a widow shall in all cases be entitled to a homestead exemption to an amount not exceeding eight hundred dollars in her husband's real estate.

Bounties to agricultural societies.

By Mr. Dorman of Belchertown, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to withholding State bounty from agricultural societies.

Sale of trees, etc.

By Mr. Russell of Sunderland, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of D. W. Clement and others for a law regulating the sale of trees, shrubs, and vines.

Special school tax.

By Mr. Porter of Attleborough, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to levying a tax for the support of the public schools, the proceeds of which shall be added to the income of the school fund.

By Mr. Sawyer of West Boylston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing a more efficient system of supervision for the public schools (Mr. Higginson of Cambridge dissenting, and recommending the passage of a "Bill to provide a system of common-school supervision for certain of the less populous and wealthy towns of the Commonwealth").

School supervision.

By Mr. Hatch of Fall River, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of Boston for an act authorizing said city to take certain land, flats, docks, and wharves for a landing for the East Boston ferry-boats.

East Boston ferries.

By Mr. Rice of Florida, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John B. Tewksbury and others for a bridge across the Merrimack River, between Bradford and Haverhill.

New bridge at Haverhill.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

By Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, that the Bill (recommitted) to empower the Baptist Religious Society in Haverhill to convey its real estate free of trusts ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday, the question being on its engrossment.

Haverhill Baptist Society.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of John Donnelly.

John Donnelly.

By Mr. Hartwell of Southbridge, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the estimate of appropriations for the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, a Resolve in favor of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

State almshouse.

By Mr. Milliken of New Bedford, from the same committee, on a petition and report of the trustees, a Resolve in favor of the State Workhouse at Bridgewater.

State workhouse.

Severally read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, from the committee on Prisons, on the report of the commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Bill in relation to insane persons held for trial or sentence.

Insane persons held for trial.

By Mr. Coney of Springfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, on an order, and the report of the adjutant-general, a Bill to amend "An Act to provide for the enrolment of the militia, for the organization of the volunteer militia, and for the public defence."

Militia law.

Draws in Merrimack-river bridges.

By Mr. Coffin of Newburyport, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, a Resolve in relation to draws in the bridges across Merrimack River below Haverhill.

Sentences for criminal offences.

By Mr. Walker of Worcester, from the committee on Prisons, on an order relative to amending the laws relating to and affecting the imposition of terms of sentence for criminal offences, a Bill relative to sentences to the State Prison of persons already under sentence to imprisonment in jails and houses of correction.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Springfield charter.

On motion of Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the charter of the city of Springfield, was discharged from the orders of the day, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Widow of George A. Flint.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John I. Baker for State aid for the widow and minor children of George A. Flint, late of the 50th Regiment M. V. M., was discharged from the orders of the day, and was, on his further motion, laid on the table.

Prohibitory bill.

On motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston, the Bill concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was postponed for further consideration until next Thursday, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day. On further motion of the same gentleman, the House voted to close debate at four o'clock P.M. on that day, unless a vote were sooner reached.

Club buildings.

On motion of Mr. Look of Leominster, the Bill to prevent the use of certain buildings, by clubs and other associations, for selling or dispensing intoxicating liquors without a license therefor was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to a revision and

change in the judicial system of the State, relating to civil business other than equity, was further considered, and after debate was, on motion of Mr. Wells of Cambridge, referred to the next General Court.

The report of the committee on Finance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order authorizing cities and towns to discharge their indebtedness to the Commonwealth before maturity, was further considered, and, pending a motion of Mr. Colton of Westfield to substitute for the report a "Bill authorizing the treasurer and receiver-general to receive a less rate of interest on the debt of Westfield to the Commonwealth than now provided," further consideration of the matter was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed until Tuesday.

The report of the committee on County Estimates, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the county commissioners of Middlesex County for an increase of salary, was considered. Mr. Butler of Somerville moved to amend by substituting a "Bill concerning the salary of the county commissioners for the county of Middlesex," pending which motion, further consideration of the matter was postponed until Tuesday, on a further motion of the same gentleman.

The Bill in relation to the foreclosure and redemption of mortgages was, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The Resolve relative to industrial conciliation and arbitration was, on motion of Mr. Merritt of Springfield, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance.

The Bill in relation to diseased and disabled animals was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Root of Barre, recommitted to the committee on Agriculture.

The Bill to amend chapter 26 of the General Statutes, relating to boards of health, was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, recommitted to the committee on Public Health.

The Bill relating to the redemption of the Troy and

Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel was read a second time, and considered. An amendment moved by Mr. Brown of Boston was adopted, and after debate the bill was refused a third reading.

The Resolve relative to the reimbursement of the warden of the State Prison, for expenses incurred in the entertainment of official visitors, was read a second time, and, after debate, was refused a third reading, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to protect the lives of railroad brakemen was read a third time, and considered. Amendments moved by Messrs. Allen of Lowell, Love of Webster, and Eager of Canton, were adopted, and after debate the bill was passed to be engrossed as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

Concerning judgment-debtors;

To fix the compensation of the second assistant clerk of the superior court for civil business in the county of Suffolk;

To legalize the doings of the Sandwich Camp-Meeting Association, and to change its name;

To establish fire-insurance districts;

To ratify and confirm an indenture by and between the Eastern Railroad Company and the Fitchburg Railroad Company;

Relating to the delivery by executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees of property in their hands to their successors upon their resignation;

To improve the sanitary condition of the public schools;

To provide for furnishing reading-matter in jails and houses of correction;

Providing for the repairing or reconstruction of the bridge across Merrimack River, between the town of Groveland and the city of Haverhill;

To require copies of complaints or indictments to be sent with prisoners sentenced to the State Prison or to the Reformatory Prison for Women;

To provide for aiding prisoners discharged from jails and houses of correction;

To provide for the laying-out of public parks in the city of Newton; and

To amend "An Act to incorporate the Public Library Association of Hinsdale;" and

Resolves:

Authorizing the loan of the military camp equipage of the State to posts of the Grand Army of the Republic; and

In relation to the connection of railroads with docks;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Reports:

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the transportation of cattle to market; and

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to the sale of liquor to students; and

On an order relative to the sales of cider and native wines by the makers thereof;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill to incorporate the American Loan and Trust Company, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Bills:

To authorize the proprietors of Brandt Island, in the town of Mattapoisett, to construct and maintain a bridge over tide-water from the island to mainland (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read, "Bill to authorize the proprietors of Brandt Island to maintain a bridge from the island to the mainland");

To authorize the Newton and Watertown Gas-Light Company to lay pipes in Weston and Needham, and to increase its capital stock; and

To extend the time within which the Massachusetts Institute of Technology may erect buildings on certain land in the city of Boston; and the

Resolve relating to the purchase of an organ for the State Prison at Concord;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

Amending the law relating to applications for a jury in the city of Boston under the general railroad act of the year 1874; and

In relation to the release of prisoners from the Reformatory Prison for Women ; and the

Resolve providing for the publication of certain special laws ;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

At fifteen minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 8, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

Municipal
woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, petition of the town of Winthrop in favor of extending to women who are citizens the right to hold town offices and to vote in town affairs on the same terms as male citizens. Placed on file.

Introduced on Leave.

John O. Teele.

By Mr. Brown of Boston, a Resolve confirming the acts of John O. Teele as a justice of the peace. Read, and referred, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Finance, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Salaries of Life-Insurance Officers.

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insurance
officers.

In response to an order of the Legislature, a statement of salaries and emoluments paid officers of life-insurance companies in 1878 and 1880 was received from the insurance commissioner, which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

School fund.

Of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the commissioners of the Massachusetts school fund ;

Shipping.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to commercial and shipping interests ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Moody Merrill and others for an act of incorporation as the Oakland Garden Association;

Oakland
Garden.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule.

Reports:

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the existing laws so that school committees in cities shall be elected annually; and

Annual election
of school com-
mittees.

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring manufacturing corporations to pay their employes weekly or fortnightly (Messrs. Mellen, Nichols, French, O'Donnell, and Howard, of the House, dissenting);

Weekly
payments.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills:

Making New-Year's Day and the day of the annual election for State officers legal holidays;

New-Year's
Day and election
day.
Grade-cross-
ings.

To authorize railroad companies to discontinue grade-crossings;

To prohibit the entry upon and taking of lands for the construction of any railroad before the county commissioners have determined the question of crossings of highways and other ways; and

Crossings by
railroads.

To authorize the Hartford and Connecticut Valley Railroad Company to build a railroad in Massachusetts;

Hartford and
Connecticut
Valley Rail-
road.

Severally reported on petitions, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge, from the committee on Public Health, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition of the selectmen of Bridgewater and others for a law prohibiting the turning of the sewage of the Bridgewater Normal School into Town River, and recommending its reference to the committee on the Fisheries. Read, accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Town River.

By Mr. Richardson of Rockport, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the report of the school for idiotic and feeble-minded

Idiotic youth.

youth. Read, and accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Sugar-beets.

By Mr. Dorman of Belchertown, from the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of E. L. Metcalf and others for an act to encourage the cultivation of sugar-beets.

**Tenement
houses in
Lowell.**

By Mr. Hamlin of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Lowell for authority for said city to make regulations necessary for the preservation of the public health in the construction and maintenance of tenement houses.

**State-Prison
sewage.**

By Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing the discharge of the sewage of the State Prison into the Concord River and its tributaries.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

**Punishment for
drunkenness.**

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Bill to amend "An Act relative to the punishment for drunkenness," and recommending its reference to the committee on Prisons. Read, accepted, and sent up for concurrence in the reference.

**Eye and Ear
Infirmary.**

By Mr. Taylor of Haverhill, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

**Charles P.
Brooks.**

By Mr. Butler of Somerville, from the committee on Claims, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Charles P. Brooks.

Severally read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Foxes.

By Mr. Shores of Lee, from the committee on Agriculture, on an order relative to a bounty for the destruction of foxes, and petitions in aid of the same, a Bill to protect and preserve domestic fowls and other animals.

Fowls.

**Inflammable
compounds.**

By Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, from the committee on Labor, on an order relative to taking proper precaution against fire in factories, a Bill regulating the use of explosive, combustible, and inflammable compounds in manufacturing establishments.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. McGeough of Boston, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on the report of the commissioners of State aid on the investigation of the claims of the surviving members, and the widows and children of deceased members, of the Eleventh and Twelfth Regiments Massachusetts Volunteers, was discharged from the orders of the day, and was, on his further motion, laid on the table.

Eleventh and
Twelfth Reg-
ments.

On motion of Mr. French of Lynn, the report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the prevention of accidents in getting on and off steam-cars while in motion, was discharged from the orders of the day, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Railroads, and sent up for concurrence.

Accidents on
steam-cars.

On motion of Mr. Shepard of Boston, the Bill giving to the mayors of cities a veto power with respect to certain expenditures of school committees, was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, further consideration of the bill was postponed until Wednesday, March 16, on further motion of the same gentleman, the bill to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Expenditures of
school commit-
tees.

On motion of Mr. Mackintosh of Needham, the Bill to incorporate the town of Wellesley was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday.

Needham and
Wellesley.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, the statement of losses, policy-claims, matured endowments, annuities, surrender-values, dividends, etc., paid to Massachusetts policy-holders from 1873 to 1880, was taken from the table, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the committee on Insurance, and sent up for concurrence.

Losses, etc.,
paid by insur-
ance companies.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, the list of organizations incorporated during the years 1872-1880, inclusive, was taken from the table, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed on file.

Incorporations,
1872-1880.

Weymouth
water.

On motion of Mr. Canterbury of Weymouth, the Bill to supply the town of Weymouth with pure water was taken from the table, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on its engrossment.

Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To provide that the receivers of insolvent savings banks and institutions for savings shall deposit certain moneys with the treasurer of the Commonwealth;

To secure the construction of bridge-guards at all bridges above railroad-tracks;

Authorizing the ditching of South Beach in Edgartown, adjacent to Great Pond, and relative to the fisheries in said pond; and

To amend "An Act in relation to licensing vehicles to carry persons to and from the State muster-field in the town of Framingham;"

(Which severally originated in the House);

In addition to "An Act to incorporate the Newburyport Water Company;"

Relating to fees allowed for the use of lock-ups;

To amend the charter of the city of Fall River;

To make the thirtieth day of May, known as Memorial Day, a legal holiday; and

To incorporate St. John's Church, Boston Highlands;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves:

In favor of Jane Parks;

Authorizing the issue of arms to the State Normal School at Bridgewater; and

In favor of Josephine A. Wyatt;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

In favor of the State Library (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the business of leasing household furniture, was

further considered, and pending the motion of Mr. Almy of Salem, to amend by substituting a bill, and pending amendments to the proposed substitute bill moved by Mr. Morse of Newton, further consideration of the matter was postponed until to-morrow, on further motion of Mr. Morse.

Reports:

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to applying money received for liquor licenses for payment of damages caused by the use of liquor;

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to withholding State bounty from agricultural societies;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of D. W. Clement and others for a law regulating the sale of trees, shrubs, and vines; and

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to levying a State tax for the support of the public schools, the same to be added to the income of the school fund;

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of Boston for an act authorizing said city to take certain land, flats, docks, and wharves for a landing for the East Boston ferry-boats; and

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John B. Tewksbury and others for a bridge across the Merrimack River, between Bradford and Haverhill;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to losses by explosions of steam-boilers, was accepted in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the employment by railroad companies of persons affected with defective sight or color-blindness; and the

Resolve in relation to draws in the bridges across Merrimack River below Haverhill;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To legalize the doings of the Sandwich Camp-Meeting Association, and to change its name;

To ratify and confirm an indenture by and between the Eastern Railroad Company and the Fitchburg Railroad Company;

Relating to the delivery by executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees of property in their hands to their successors upon their resignation (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read, "Bill relating to the delivery by executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees, upon resignation, of property in their hands to their successors");

To provide for furnishing reading-matter in jails and houses of correction;

To require copies of complaints or indictments to be sent with prisoners sentenced to the State Prison or to the Reformatory Prison for Women; and

To provide for the laying-out of public parks in the city of Newton; and the

Resolve in relation to the connection of railroads with docks;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend "An Act to incorporate the Public Library Association of Hinsdale;" and the

Resolve authorizing the loan of the military camp equipment of the State to posts of the Grand Army of the Republic;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The report of the special committee appointed to investigate the matter of the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate of Barnstable County, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the same, and recommending its reference to a joint committee, was further considered. On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the rule limiting debate was suspended. Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge moved to amend the report by substituting the conclusions of the minority of the committee for the report, pending which motion, the House,

At a quarter before six o'clock, adjourned, the Speaker having announced that Mr. Higginson of Cambridge would occupy the chair to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, March 9, 1881.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Higginson of Cambridge in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

Member Qualified.

Mr. Thomas P. Ayer of Winchester, a member-elect for the Fourteenth Middlesex District, being present and ready to be qualified, Mr. Hayden of Woburn was appointed a committee to conduct him to the council chamber. And Mr. Ayer having been qualified, report was made accordingly, and he took his seat as a member of the House.

Thomas P. Ayer qualified.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

In addition to "An Act for supplying South Adams with pure water;"

To amend "An Act to incorporate the Berkshire Water Company;"

In addition to "An Act to incorporate the Massachusetts Hospital Life-Insurance Company;" and

To incorporate the Maple Grove Cemetery Association in the town of Westport;

(Which severally originated in the House);

To change the name of the Newton Corner Baptist Church and Society, and to confirm the doings thereof;

To incorporate the States Union Telegraph and Telegraph Construction Company; and

To change the name of the Congregational Society of the South Parish of Wilbraham;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Bills enacted.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports:

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Hollis M. Hale and others for an act of incorporation as the American Mortgage and Guaranty Company; and

American Mortgage Company.

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the ten-hour law that men will come within its provisions (Messrs. Mellen, Nichols, Howard, and French, of the House, dissenting);

Ten-hour law.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Reports :

Vote of all
people on
license.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Harriet E. Clark and others on submitting to the whole people, above the age of twenty-one years, the repeal of the license law, and the enactment of a prohibitory law ; and

Education.

Of the committee on Education, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to education ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule.

Bills :

Railroad land
damages.

To secure the payment of damages occasioned by the construction of railroads (reported on a portion of the Governor's address) ;

Boston harbor.

Restricting the constructing of railroads across the deep channels of Boston harbor (reported on an order relative to railroads crossing navigable or tidal waters) ;

Swain Free
School.

To incorporate the trustees of the Swain Free School (reported on a petition) ;

Sandisfield.

To make legal the action of the town of Sandisfield in re-establishing the school-district system (reported on an order) ;

Boston and
Hingham
Steamboat
Company.

To authorize an increase of the capital stock of the Boston and Hingham Steamboat Company (reported on a petition) ;

Tax-lists.

To provide for the transfer of the tax-lists of collectors of taxes in certain cases (reported on an order) ;

Truant schools.

To establish union truant schools (reported on an order relative to providing places for the confinement of truant) ;

Release of
prisoners.

To amend chapter 218 of the Acts of the year 1880, in relation to the release of prisoners for good conduct (reported on the report of the commissioners of prisons) ; and

Railroad travel.

To give better security to travellers by railroad (reported on the report of the railroad commissioners) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Bills :

Injuries on
highways.

To amend chapter 234 of the Acts of the year 1877, relating to notices of injuries received upon highways ; and

Boundaries of
littoral towns.

In relation to the boundaries of cities and towns bordering upon the sea ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The Resolve in favor of the Disabled Soldiers' Employment Bureau, reported on the annual report of the treasurer and superintendent of the Massachusetts Employment Bureau for Disabled Soldiers, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Soldiers' Employment Bureau.

The Bill requiring judges of probate court to make return of decrees of adoption, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Adoption.

The House Bill to increase the number of the board of aldermen of the city of Lowell came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule.

Lowell aldermen.

The Bill to encourage physical exercises in public schools came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Military drill in schools.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Davenport of Fall River, from the committee on the Fisheries, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the commissioners of inland fisheries. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Fish commissioners.

By Mr. Fiske of Holliston, from the committee on Claims, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of John M. Galvin for compensation for work done on the Hoosac Tunnel.

John M. Galvin.

By Mr. Bryant of Russell, from the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Isaac P. Clarke and others, that Ward 22, in Boston, may be represented in the common council of said city by two members.

Ward 22, Boston.

By Mr. Look of Leominster, from the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of S. A. Coffin and others, that the sale of intoxicating liquors on the Lord's Day may be prohibited.

Sales of liquor on Lord's Day.

Women voting
on licenses.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Boston and others, that women be allowed to vote on the question of licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Fires in public
institutions.

By Mr. Taylor of Haverhill, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to protecting the inmates of public charitable institutions from danger by fire.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Danvers
Hospital.

By Mr. McSorley of Cambridge, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the report of the trustees of the State Lunatic-Hospital at Danvers, a Resolve in favor of the trustees of the State Lunatic-Hospital at Danvers. Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Civil damage
bill.

By Mr. Bugbee of Boston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, that the Bill (on leave) relating to payment of civil damages by venders of intoxicating liquors ought not to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on its rejection.

Military
settlements.

By Mr. Marble of Freetown, from the committee on Military Affairs, on an order, a Bill relative to military settlements.

Rhode-Island
boundary.

By Mr. Coney of Springfield, from the committee on Federal Relations, on a portion of the Governor's address, a Resolve in relation to the boundary-line between Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Boston—high
service.

By Mr. Rand of Medford, from the committee on Public Health, on a petition of the mayor of Boston relative to extension of the high service water-supply, a Bill in addition to the Acts for the purpose of supplying the city of Boston with pure water.

Troy and Green-
field Railroad.

By Mr. Jefferson of Worcester, from the committee on Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad, on an order, in part, a Bill to compel the use of power-brakes on the Troy and Greenfield Railroad.

Charles-River
Embankment
Company.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Charles-River Embankment Company.

Guaranty cap-
ital of insurance
companies.

By Mr. Baker of Dedham, from the committee on Insurance, that the Bill (recommitted) to provide for the redemption of the guaranty capital of fire-insurance companies ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the charter of the city of Springfield, was taken from the table, and accepted. Springfield charter.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Probate and Chancery, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that a widow shall in all cases be entitled to a homestead exemption to an amount not exceeding eight hundred dollars in her husband's real estate, was accepted. Orders of the day.

Reports:

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of E. L. Metcalf and others for an act to encourage the cultivation of sugar-beets; and

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Lowell for authority for said city to make regulations necessary for the preservation of the public health in the construction and maintenance of tenement houses;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the existing laws so that school committees in cities shall be elected annually, was accepted in concurrence.

Bills:

In relation to insane persons held for trial or sentence;

Relative to sentences to the State Prison of prisoners already under sentence to imprisonment in jails and houses of correction;

Regulating the use of explosive, combustible, and inflammable compounds in manufacturing establishments;

To prohibit the entry upon and taking of lands for the construction of any railroad before the county commissioners have determined the question of crossings of highways and other ways; and

To authorize the Hartford and Connecticut Valley Railroad Company to build a railroad in Massachusetts;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To fix the compensation of the second assistant clerk of the superior court for civil business in the county of Suffolk; and

To provide for aiding prisoners discharged from jails and houses of correction; and the

Resolve in relation to draws in the bridges across Merrimack River below Haverhill;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

In relation to law library associations; and

To authorize the union of the Boston and Lowell and Nashua and Lowell Railroad Corporations;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The report of the special committee appointed to investigate the matter of the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate of Barnstable County, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the same, and recommending its reference to a joint committee, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered. A motion by Mr. Parmenter of Amherst, that debate be closed at four o'clock, unless a vote be sooner reached, was rejected.

Mr. Reed of Taunton moved "that the report be re-committed to the committee, with special instructions to report to the House whether, upon the statements of the petitioners and their counsel, and the evidence before the committee, there is sufficient ground for the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate and insolvency of the county of Barnstable, with authority to take further evidence, and to allow Joseph M. Day to be heard in his own defence by counsel and witnesses."

On the suggestion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, Mr. Reed modified his motion by inserting after the word "removal" the words "by impeachment or address."

Mr. Phillips of Springfield moved a suspension of the rule limiting debate to ten minutes, on a motion to recommend, which motion prevailed.

Mr. Brown of Boston moved to amend the motion of Mr. Reed by substituting the following:—

"That the whole matter of the petitioners for the removal of Joseph M. Day, and the remonstrants thereto,

be referred to a new special committee, to hear the parties and their witnesses, and report to this House the evidence and their conclusions on the same."

After extended debate, at half-past four the vote was first taken on the amendment moved by Mr. Brown, which was lost. The motion of Mr. Reed was then rejected; and the pending motion of Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, to amend the report of the committee by substituting therefor the conclusions of the minority, — to wit, "that nothing has been developed, in the investigation the committee were directed to make, which would authorize any proceeding by the Legislature for the removal of Judge Day from the said office," — was rejected. The report was then accepted, and the matter was sent to the Senate for concurrence in the reference.

The Orders Laid on the Table.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the orders of the day were laid on the table; and, on further motion of the same gentleman, the Senate petition of Joseph P. Johnson and others for the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Barnstable was taken from the table. The House then concurred in the reference of the petition to a joint special committee, to consist of three on the part of the Senate, and eight on the part of the House. Joseph M. Day.

On motion of Mr. McSorley of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee of the Senate and House, to whom are referred the petitions and remonstrances relating to the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Barnstable, be instructed to permit Judge Day to appear before them in person and by counsel, in the hearing of the case, to cross-examine witnesses called by the petitioners, and to produce testimony in his own behalf.

Sent up for concurrence.

The orders of the day were then taken from the table, and pending the consideration of the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the business of leasing household furniture, the House, Orders of the day.

At twenty minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 10, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

Second Universalist Society of Warren.

By Mr. Brown of Boston, petition of Cutler Moore and others for change of name of "The Second Universalist Society of Western" to "The Second Universalist Society of Warren." Referred, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, and sent up for concurrence.

Order.

Hour of meeting.

The following order, offered by Mr. Phillips of Springfield, was, at the request of Mr. Baker of Beverly, laid over until to-morrow:—

Ordered, That on and after Tuesday, March 15, the House, until otherwise ordered, shall meet at eleven o'clock A.M., except on Mondays and Saturdays; and whenever the House is in session at quarter before one o'clock P.M., the Speaker shall declare a recess until two o'clock P.M.; and whenever the House is in session at five o'clock P.M., the Speaker shall declare an adjournment, upon the completion of the matter of business upon which the House is engaged at that time.

Reports of Committees.

Degrees.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the report of the deputy tax commissioner and commissioner of corporations as refers to the authority of corporations formed under the general law to confer degrees, and recommending its reference to the committee on Education. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Registration in towns.

By Mr. Lincoln of Barnstable, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the registration laws that certain days shall be appointed by the selectmen of towns for the purpose of registration.

Charles-River Embankment Company.

By Mr. Dever of Boston, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to next General Court, on the petition of Isaac Pratt, jun., for an act authorizing

the Charles-River Embankment Company, or the cities of Boston and Cambridge, to build a bridge across Charles River.

By Mr. Bradford of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law that no elevated railroad shall be constructed under the provisions of the general railroad act, or otherwise, without authority from the Legislature.

Elevated
railroads.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw :

Ibid.

On the petition of W. R. Clark and others for incorporation as the Charlestown and Milton Railway Company ;

On the petition of W. R. Clark and others for incorporation as the Boston and Dorchester Railroad Company ;

On the petition of W. R. Clark and others for incorporation as the Cambridge and South Boston Railroad Company ;

On the petition of W. R. Clark and others for incorporation as the Boston and Brookline Railroad Company ;

On the petition of Henry Hastings and others for an act of incorporation as the Boston Rapid Transit Company ; and

Boston Rapid
Transit Com-
pany.

On the petition of Charles E. Powers and others for an act of incorporation as an elevated railroad company, for the purpose of locating, maintaining, and operating an elevated railroad in the cities of Boston, Cambridge, Somerville, and Chelsea, and in the towns of Malden, Medford, and Everett (Mr. O'Neil of Boston dissenting from the two last-named reports). (The reasons of the committee for the report, leave to withdraw, on these several petitions for elevated railroads, are printed with the last-named report as House No. 253.)

Powers's Ele-
vated Railroad
Company.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Committee on Matter of Judge Day Appointed.

The Speaker appointed the following-named gentlemen as the committee, on the part of the House, on the joint committee on the petition of Joseph P. Johnson and others, relative to the removal of Joseph M. Day as judge of probate of Barnstable County: Messrs. Brackett of Boston, Thomas of Brookline, Plunkett of Worcester, Albee of Cambridge, Shepard of Boston, Dunham of Stockbridge, Allen of Lynn, and Love of Webster ; and the petition was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Joseph M. Day.

Mr. Ayer Appointed on a Committee.

Mr. Thomas P.
Ayer.

The Speaker appointed Mr. Ayer of Winchester on the committee on Railroads, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Josiah F. Stone.

Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Relative to the location of the road of the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company;

To amend "An Act to authorize the city of Haverhill to establish a hospital;"

In addition to "An Act for the laying-out of public parks in or near the city of Boston;" and

To change the name of the Clarendon Hills Evangelical Society;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

To amend "An Act to incorporate the Public Library Association of Hinsdale" (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves:

To authorize the sale of the State arsenal at Cambridge (which originated in the House); and

Authorizing the loan of the military camp equipage of the State to posts of the Grand Army of the Republic; and

Providing for the publication of certain special laws;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Sunday trains.

An engrossed Bill concerning the running of railroad-trains on the Lord's Day was put upon its final passage.

Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield presented the remonstrances of committees of the Methodist ministers of Boston and vicinity, of Baptist ministers of Boston and vicinity, and of Congregational ministers of Boston and vicinity, and of 1,500 individuals; and Mr. Thomas of Brookline presented the remonstrance of Rev. Robert G. Seymour and others, — severally against the passage of the bill. Mr. Bowerman then moved to recommit the bill to the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad, with instructions to hear the remonstrants. The motion was lost by a vote of 63 to 106. Mr. Bowerman then moved to postpone the further consideration of the bill until to-morrow, which was also

lost. Mr. Thomas of Brookline moved to postpone further consideration of the matter until Monday next, which was also rejected. Mr. Bradford of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House refused to recommit the bill, which motion was also rejected.

After extended debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question of enactment, on request of Mr. Tufts of Boston; and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be enacted by a vote of 120 yeas to 70 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ames, Edwin.

Andrew, John F.

Atwood, Newell S.

Ayer, Thomas P.

Baker, John I.

Barton, Leonard.

Bixby, Nelson H.

Bosworth, Edwin R.

Brackett, John Q. A.

Brown, Edward P.

Brown, William B.

Buck, John W. P.

Bugbee, James M.

Bulloch, Andrew.

Burke, William J.

Burr, Frank W.

Burt, George L.

Butler, John Haskell.

Cannon, Peter.

Canterbury, Nathan D.

Carpenter, Edward C.

Carroll, Lewis.

Cawley, Edward.

Clark, William L.

Clarke, Albert E.

Cogswell, William.

Coolidge, Timothy A.

Cushman, Solomon F.

Dever, John F.

Donovan, Daniel.

Dunham, Henry J.

Eddy, Charles A.

Edwards, James.

Farrar, Job P.

Fay, Thomas, jun.

Fellows, Alonzo B.

Fifield, Benjamin L.

Messrs. French, Hartwell S.

Gargan, Frank.

Gaskill, Leonard T.

Gill, Charles L.

Goulding, Robert.

Hale, Silas W.

Hamlin, Joseph P.

Hartwell, Samuel C.

Hayden, Edward D.

Hemphill, Ashton E.

Higginson, Thomas W.

Hoar, Samuel.

Hooper, Arthur.

Howard, Robert.

Jacobs, Joseph, jun.

Jefferson, Martin V. B.

Kelly, Francis B.

Kelley, Watson B.

Kendall, Ira Y.

Lamb, Abraham J.

Livermore, George B.

Lodge, Henry C.

Love, John J.

Lyon, Henry.

Mackintosh, James.

Mansfield, Andrew.

McCullough, Thomas.

McDonald, Patrick F.

McGahey, Alexander B.

McGeough, James A.

McManus, Edward.

McSorley, John.

Mellen, James H.

Merritt, Christopher C.

Moriarty, Eugene M.

Morse, George W.

Mullane, Jeremiah H.

Messrs. Murphy, Timothy A.
 Muzzey, Henry W.
 Newell, Richard.
 Nichols, Joseph J.
 O'Donnell, John.
 O'Neil, Joseph H.
 Packard, Davis S.
 Paddack, Henry.
 Phillips, Henry M.
 Plunkett, Francis.
 Poor, Edward P.
 Porter, Charles H.
 Prouty, Isaac L.
 Quirk, Dennis G.
 Rand, John C.
 Reade, John.
 Rice, Frederick S.
 Richardson, Solon O.
 Robbins, Oliver W.
 Russell, William W.
 Scott, Thomas.
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Shepard, Harvey N.

Messrs. Shores, Norman W.
 Sprague, Henry H.
 Stanton, John.
 Steele, Isaac A. S.
 Stevens, Edward G.
 Stover, Augustus W.
 Stowe, Edmund M.
 Strong, Sidney.
 Thayer, S. Proctor.
 Tufts, Joseph A.
 Vining, David T.
 Walker, Samuel.
 Wardwell, Henry.
 Warren, Nathan.
 Webster, Edwin R.
 Webster, John G.
 Wells, Henry J.
 White, James.
 White, Lloyd E.
 Whitney, Giles H.
 Willcutt, Levi L.
 Wood, Owen.
 Wright, John H.

NAYS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.
 Allen, Frank D.
 Almy, James F.
 Bailey, Thomas F.
 Baker, Thomas J.
 Beckford, Ebenezer.
 Bidwell, Marshall S.
 Bowerman, Samuel W.
 Bradford, Martin L.
 Brown, Charles F.
 Brown, Leonard.
 Bryant, George T.
 Burpee, William H.
 Burr, Edwin S.
 Butler, Edward P.
 Carleton, George H.
 Chamberlain, George D.
 Cleveland, Tristram.
 Coffin, Amos.
 Collamore, Francis.
 Colton, John W.
 Corey, Charles A.
 Crandall, George N.
 Cronin, Cornelius F.

Messrs. Curtis, Hiram.
 Dorman, Asahel H.
 Eager, Edward R.
 Evans, James M.
 Fernald, B. Marvin.
 Fiske, George B.
 Floyd, Thomas.
 Forbes, William T.
 Foster, Enoch.
 Fowler, Charles B.
 Freeman, Jesse H.
 Fuller, Luther F.
 Gifford, James E.
 Gifford, Rufus B.
 Gilbert, Lucien M.
 Hadley, Stephen D.
 Hatch, Silas B.
 Hill, Hamilton A.
 Holman, William F.
 Howland, Charles W.
 Hughes, Atkins.
 Jewett, Albert G.
 Johnson, William.
 Jones, Thomas B.

Messrs. Joyce, John.	Messrs. Sanborn, John H.
Keith, Albert.	Sawin, Otis D.
Mahoney, Patrick F.	Sheppard, Joel F.
Marshall, Asaph R.	Stevens, Ezra A.
Miller, J. Hervey.	Stickney, Joseph W.
Morrison, Daniel T.	Tappan, William H.
Parmenter, Charles O.	Taylor, Levi.
Peck, Chauncey E.	Thomas, Edward I.
Porter, Burrill, jun.	Tufts, Arthur W.
Richardson, Nathaniel, jun.	Wilcox, Charles W.
Root, Thomas P.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.

Yeas, 120 ; nays, 70.

On this question, Messrs. Fay of Fitchburg, and Porter of Rowe, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Look of Leominster, and Budington of Leyden.

The bill was then signed, and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Claims, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of John M. Galvin for compensation for work done on the Hoosac Tunnel ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Isaac P. Clarke and others, that Ward 22, in Boston, may be represented in the common council of said city by two members ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of S. A. Coffin and others, that the sale of intoxicating liquors on the Lord's Day may be prohibited ;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Boston and others, that women be allowed to vote on the question of licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors ; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to protecting the inmates of public charitable institutions from danger by fire ;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Hollis M. Hale and others for an act of incorporation as the American Mort-

gage and Guaranty Company, was accepted in concurrence.

Bills:

Relative to military settlements;

In addition to the Acts for the purpose of supplying the city of Boston with pure water;

To incorporate the Charles-River Embankment Company;

To provide for the redemption of the guaranty capital of fire-insurance companies;

To incorporate the trustees of the Swain Free School;

To authorize an increase of the capital stock of the Boston and Hingham Steamboat Company;

To establish union truant schools; and

To authorize railroad companies to discontinue grade-crossings; and the

Resolve in relation to the boundary-line between Massachusetts and Rhode Island;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

Concerning the Lancaster Railroad Company;

Relative to sentences to the State Prison of prisoners already under sentence to imprisonment in jails and houses of correction; and

Regulating the use of explosive, combustible, and inflammable compounds in manufacturing establishments;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the business of leasing household furniture, was further considered, and was, on motion of Mr. Moriarty of Worcester, laid on the table, pending the motion of Mr. Almy of Salem to amend by substituting a bill, and pending certain amendments to the proposed substitute moved by Mr. Morse of Newton.

The Bill concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors was further considered. It was voted that the debate close at four o'clock to-morrow, unless a vote be sooner reached, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, the House,

At five o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 11, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Carleton of Georgetown, petition of William Cogswell and others for an experiment station at the Agricultural College. Referred to the committee on Agriculture. Experiment station.

By Mr. Baker of Beverly, petition of the town of Beverly for the right to take water directly from Wenham Pond, and to make contracts in regard thereto. Referred, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Public Health. Beverly water-supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Corey of Bedford, a vote of the town of Lexington, relative to allowing women to vote on municipal affairs. Placed on file. Municipal woman suffrage.

Abstract of Certificates of Corporations.

The abstract of certificates of corporations (Pub. Doc. No. 10) was received from the secretary of the Commonwealth, and placed on file. Certificates of corporations.

Taken from the Table.

The statement of salaries and emoluments paid officers of life-insurance companies in 1873 and 1880 was, on motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, taken from the table, and was placed on file. Insurance salaries.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Marshall of Worcester, —

Ordered, That Tuesday, March 15, at half-past two o'clock P.M., be assigned as the time for the choice of a preacher for the annual election sermon for the year 1882. Election sermon.

The order offered yesterday by Mr. Phillips of Springfield, and laid over, relative to morning sessions, hour of recess and of adjournment, was amended, on motion of Mr. Phillips, so as to read, "on and after Tuesday, March 22," instead of "March 15," and as amended was adopted. Hour of meeting, etc.

Introduced on Leave.

Widow of J. F.
Stone.

By Mr. Hayden of Woburn, a Resolve in favor of the widow of Josiah F. Stone. Read, and, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule and the 42d Rule, requiring its reference to the committee on Finance, ordered to a second reading, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the 10th joint Rule.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the American Loan and Trust Company (which originated in the House) ; and

Amending the law relating to applications for a jury in the city of Boston, under the general railroad act for the year 1874 (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate.

Joseph M. Day.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint special committee appointed to hear petitioners for the removal of Judge Day be authorized to report in print the evidence taken at the hearing, to employ a clerk and a stenographer, to send for persons and papers, and to sit during the sessions of the Legislature.

County
accounts.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, asking to be discharged from further consideration of so much of the Governor's address as relates to county accounts, and recommending its reference to the joint special committee on the Judiciary, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence.

Police officers
in cities.

A Bill relating to the appointment of police officers in cities, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Natick water.

A Bill to amend chapter 76 of the Acts of 1873, entitled "An Act to supply the town of Natick with pure water," reported on a petition, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Reports of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate :

Trustee
process.

On an order relative to legislation for the better protection of the working-classes from the abuse of the trustee process ;

On an order relative to legislation providing for the full payment of laborers in cash for labor performed, and to prevent the so-called "truck system;"

"Truck" system.

On an order relative to legislation concerning contracts between employers and employes where forfeiture of wages is involved;

Contracts for wage-labor.

On an order relative to legislation relating to proper ventilation of factories and workshops; and

Ventilation.

On an order relative to legislation respecting the present system of letting out convict-labor (Messrs. Howard, Nichols, French, and O'Donnell dissenting);

Convict-labor.

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William Emerson Baker for amendment to chapter 153 of the Acts of 1879, so as to exempt certain property from taxation;

W. E. Baker.

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 58 of the General Statutes, so as to provide for fuller returns from life-insurance companies; and

Returns of life insurance.

Of the committee on Federal Relations, inexpedient to legislate, on the message of his Excellency the Governor, with a resolution of the General Assembly of South Carolina concerning the centennial celebration of the battle of Cowpens;

Cowpens.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

The House Bill to amend chapter 381 of the Acts of the year 1871, concerning street-railway corporations, came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Street railways.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the joint special committee consisting of the committees on the Judiciary of the two branches, that no legislation is necessary on so much of the address of his Excellency the Governor as relates to the judiciary of the Commonwealth.

The judiciary.

By Mr. Warren of Waltham, from the committee on Insurance, no legislation necessary, on the statement of losses, policy-claims, etc., paid to Massachusetts policy-holders from 1873 to 1880, as printed in House Document No. 168.

Payments by insurance companies.

Severally read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Conveyances by married women.

By Mr. Wells of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, reference to the next, General Court, on the petition of Lucy Stone and others for such legislation as will enable married women to receive from and make to their husbands conveyances of property, and that if they die intestate their personal property may descend to their children.

Allen settlements.

By Mr. Paddack of Nantucket, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the settlement laws as to provide that an alien shall not acquire a settlement by reason of the settlement of his parents.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Florida, Rowe, and Charlemont.

By Mr. Howland of Rockland, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on an order, a Resolve in favor of the towns of Florida, Rowe, and Charlemont. Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Disabled Soldiers' Employment Bureau.

By Mr. Merritt of Springfield, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the Disabled Soldiers' Employment Bureau ought to pass.

John Donnelly.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of John Donnelly ought to pass.

Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary.

By Mr. Stevens of Malden, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Criminal insane.

By Mr. Larnard of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to classification of the criminal insane, a Resolve concerning the classification of the criminal insane.

Debtors and witnesses in insolvency cases.

By Mr. White of Taunton, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on an order relative to the contracting of debts by those who have filed petitions in insolvency, and an order relative to the examination of witnesses by creditors of insolvent debtors, a Bill concerning the examination of debtors and witnesses in proceedings in insolvency, and the discharge of insolvent debtors.

State Prison engineer.

By Mr. John G. Webster of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide for an engineer at the State Prison ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

By Mr. Shores of Lee, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition of the Franklin County Agricultural Society relative to the restraint of dogs, a Bill concerning actions for damage done to sheep, lambs, and other domestic animals. Damages by dogs.

By Mr. Steele of Gloucester, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on petition of the town of Braintree relative to the bridge over the Monatiquot River, and petitions in aid thereof, a Bill to amend "An Act concerning the Neponset bridge and Braintree and Weymouth turnpike." Monatiquot-river bridge.

By Mr. Morrison of Methuen, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to repeal "An Act to authorize the construction of a bridge over Green Harbor River in Marshfield." (Messrs. Quirk of Boston, and Dickerman of Townsend, dissent, and recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.) Green Harbor River.

By Mr. O'Neil of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, on petition of Henry Burnham and others, a Bill to incorporate the Gloucester Street Railway Company. Gloucester Street Railway.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

The Bill in relation to the foreclosure and redemption of mortgages was, on motion of Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge, discharged from the orders of the day, and was, on his further motion, postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day; the question being on its rejection as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary. Mortgages.

On motion of Mr. Coney of Springfield, the Bill to amend "An Act to provide for the enrolment of the militia, for the organization of the volunteer militia, and for the public defence," was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and was, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, referred to the committee on Finance, on further motion of the same gentleman. The militia law.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to amend the law in relation to the repair of highways, and remedies for injuries sustained thereon, was further considered. Mr. Hale of Milford moved to amend the proposed substitute moved by Mr. Reed of Taunton Orders of the day.

by substituting therefor another bill with the same title, and printed as House Doc. No. 230. The motion prevailed. The bill moved by Mr. Reed, thus amended, was then substituted for the original bill, and was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Finance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order authorizing cities and towns to discharge their indebtedness to the Commonwealth before maturity, was, on motion of Mr. Hill of Boston, postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday, pending the motion of Mr. Colton of Westfield to amend by substituting a bill.

The report of the committee on County Estimates, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the county commissioners of Middlesex County for an increase of salary, was further considered. The pending motion of Mr. Butler of Somerville, to amend by substituting a bill, was lost, and the report was accepted.

The Resolve relative to industrial conciliation and arbitration was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance.

The report of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of W. H. B. Currier and others that the Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural and Horticultural Society may be incorporated, was, pending a motion of Mr. Fifield of Salisbury, to amend by substituting therefor a "Bill to incorporate the Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural and Horticultural Society," postponed for further consideration until Monday.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Adelaide E. Palmer for State aid, was considered. Mr. Baker of Beverly moved to amend the report by substituting therefor the "Resolve in favor of Adelaide E. Palmer," which was recommended by Mr. Hastings of the Senate, a minority of the committee. The motion prevailed, and the resolve, having been read once, was placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating fares on

railroads, was, on motion of Mr. Brown of Marblehead, postponed for consideration until next Tuesday.

The Bill in addition to the Acts for the purpose of supplying the city of Boston with pure water; and the

Resolve in relation to the boundary-line between Massachusetts and Rhode Island;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To incorporate the trustees of the Swain Free School; and

To authorize an increase of the capital stock of the Boston and Hingham Steamboat Company;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bills:

To amend "An Act relating to conditional pardons;" and

To compel the use of power-brakes on the Troy and Greenfield Railroad;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors was further considered. On the main question of ordering the bill to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge; and, the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 108 yeas to 80 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.

Allen, Charles H.

Allen, Frank D.

Almy, James F.

Bail, George W.

Bailey, Thomas F.

Baker, John I.

Baker, Thomas J.

Beckford, Ebenezer.

Bidwell, Marshall S.

Bosworth, Edwin R.

Brown, Charles F.

Brown, Leonard.

Buck, John W. P.

Budington, Jonathan.

Messrs. Burpee, William H.

Burr, Edwin S.

Cable, Hobart M.

Carleton, George H.

Chamberlain, Geo. D.

Clapp, Frank A.

Clark, William L.

Cleveland, Tristram.

Coffin, Amos.

Collamore, Francis.

Coolidge, Timothy A.

Corey, Charles A.

Crandall, George N.

Crowell, James A.

Curtis, Hiram.

Messrs. Cushman, Solomon F.	Messrs. Mansfield, Andrew.
Davenport, James F.	Marshall, Asaph R.
Dickerman, John E.	McFarlin, Peleg.
Dorman, Asahel H.	Miller, J. Hervey.
Eager, Edward R.	Morrison, Daniel T.
Edwards, James.	Newell, Richard.
Evans, James M.	Parmenter, Charles O.
Farrar, Job P.	Poor, Edward P.
Fellows, Alonzo B.	Porter, Charles H.
Fernald, B. Marvin.	Porter, Vaniah M.
Fifield, Benjamin L.	Rand, John C.
Fiske, George B.	Reed, Charles A.
Floyd, Thomas.	Richardson, Nath'l, jun.
Forbes, William T.	Richardson, Solon O.
Foster, Enoch.	Robbins, Oliver W.
Fowler, Charles B.	Sanborn, John H.
Freeman, Jesse H.	Sawin, Otis D.
Fuller, Luther F.	Sawyer, Henry O.
Gifford, James E.	Sheppard, Joel F.
Gifford, Rufus B.	Slocum, Henry A.
Gilbert, Lucien M.	Smith, Remember.
Gill, Charles L.	Smith, Zenas E.
Gilman, Thomas K.	Snow, William O.
Goulding, Robert.	Stevens, Ezra A.
Hadley, Stephen D.	Stickney, Joseph W.
Hale, Silas W.	Stowe, Edmund M.
Hartwell, Samuel C.	Strong, Sidney.
Hatch, Silas B.	Sullivan, John C.
Hooper, Arthur.	Swift, Charles F.
Howland, Charles W.	Tapley, Gilbert A.
Hughes, Atkins.	Tappan, William H.
Johnson, William.	Taylor, Levi.
Jones, Thomas B.	Wales, Jonathan.
Keith, Albert.	Walker, Aaron G.
Kendall, Ira Y.	Webster, John G.
Lawrence, Asa S.	White, Lloyd E.
Learnard, George E.	Whitney, Giles H.
Lincoln, Clark.	Whitney, Levi L.
Look, Dwight B.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.

NAYS.

Messrs. Andrew, John F.	Messrs. Burke, William J.
Ayer, Thomas P.	Burr, Frank W.
Bowerman, Samuel W.	Burt, George L.
Brackett, John Q. A.	Butler, Edward P.
Bradford, Martin L.	Butler, John Haskell.
Brown, Edward P.	Cannon, Peter.
Bryant, George T.	Carpenter, Edward C.
Bugbee, James M.	Carroll, Lewis.

Messrs. Cawley, Edward.	Messrs. Milliken, Eben C.
Clarke, Albert E.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Cogswell, William.	Morse, George W.
Coney, Hubert M.	Mullane, Jeremiah H.
Cronin, Cornelius F.	Murphy, Timothy A.
Dever, John F.	Muzzey, Henry W.
Dunham, Henry J.	Nichols, Joseph J.
Fay, Thomas, jun.	O'Donnell, John.
Galvin, Owen A.	O'Neil, Joseph H.
Gargan, Frank.	Packard, Davis S.
Gaskell, Leonard T.	Paddack, Henry.
Goodwin, John.	Phillips, Henry M.
Hemphill, Ashton E.	Plunkett, Francis.
Higginson, Thomas W.	Quirk, Dennis G.
Hill, Hamilton A.	Reade, John.
Hoar, Samuel.	Scott, Thomas.
Howard, Robert.	Shaw, Edward P.
Kelly, Francis B.	Sprague, Henry H.
Lamb, Abraham J.	Stanton, John.
Livermore, George B.	Steele, Isaac A. S.
Lodge, Henry C.	Stevens, Edward G.
Love, John J.	Stover, Augustus W.
Lyon, Henry.	Tufts, Arthur W.
Mahoney, Patrick F.	Walker, Samuel.
McCullough, Thomas.	Wardwell, Henry.
McDonald, Patrick F.	Warren, Nathan.
McGahey, Alexander B.	Webster, Edwin R.
McGeough, James A.	Wells, Henry J.
McManus, Edward.	White, James.
McSorley, John.	Willcutt, Levi L.
Mellen, James H.	Wood, Owen.
Merritt, Christopher C.	Wright, John H.

Yeas, 108 ; nays, 80.

On this question, Messrs. Jacobs of Lynn, Holman of Leicester, Canterbury of Weymouth, Avery of Plymouth, Root of Barre, Jewett of West Hampton, Wilcox of Milford, Porter of Attleborough, and Prouty of Spencer, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Tufts of Fitchburg, Shores of Lee, Thayer of North Adams, Hayden of Woburn, Jefferson of Worcester, Bixby of Adams, Hamlin of Boston, Shepard of Boston, and Donovan of Lawrence.

At half-past four o'clock adjourned.

MONDAY, March 14, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Davis of Hyde Park.

Petitions Presented.

Harbor-lines.

By Mr. Shepard of Boston, remonstrance of Thomas Lamb and others, and of the Boston Marine Society, — severally against the passage of an act giving the harbor and land commissioners power to change the harbor-lines.

Severally referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Middlesex
Aqueduct
Corporation.

By Mr. Ayer of Winchester, remonstrance of Henry Mott and others against the passage of "An Act to authorize the Middlesex Aqueduct Corporation to take certain real estate." Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Taken from the Files.

Insurance
salaries.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, the statement of salaries and emoluments paid to officers of life-insurance companies in 1873 and 1880 was taken from the files, referred to the committee on Taxation, and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Steam-car
accidents.

A report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation for the prevention of accidents to persons getting on and off steam-cars while in motion, recommitted by the House to the committee with instructions, and sent up to the Senate for concurrence, came down with the indorsement that the Senate non-concurred. The House, on motion of Mr. French of Lynn, receded, and the report was then accepted in concurrence.

Attachment of
funds, etc., in
hands of receivers.

The House Bill to authorize the attachment, by the trustee process, of funds, credits, and dividends in the hands of receivers, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule.

Chilmark and
Tisbury.

The House Resolve for the appointment of commissioners to establish the boundary-line between the towns

of Chilmark and Tisbury came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule.

A Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take and hold land and other property for a landing for the East Boston ferries came down from the Senate substituted for the report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to next General Court, on a petition of F. O. Prince, with the indorsement "referred to the committee, with instructions to give notice to all parties interested." The House concurred.

Bills :

To provide for the assistance of discharged female convicts (reported, in part, on the report of the commissioners of prisons) ;

To secure a more equal apportionment of the State and county taxes upon the several cities and towns (reported on an order) ; and a

Resolve in favor of the Bridgewater Normal School (reported on the report of the Board of Education) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

The House Resolve granting county taxes came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, which were referred to the committee on County Estimates.

Bills :

In relation to the jurisdiction of courts of insolvency in certain cases ; and

Concerning returns of registers of probate and insolvency, and registers of deeds ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

A Bill to authorize the Middlesex Aqueduct Corporation to take real estate for increasing its water-supply, and for other purposes, reported on a petition, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary under a suspension of the rule.

The House bills :

To establish the office of clerk of the police court of the city of Holyoke ; and

Haverhill public
landing.

To authorize the city of Haverhill to occupy a portion of a public landing in said city ;

Severally came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, which were referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Lock-ups.

A Bill to amend chapter 175 of the Acts of the year 1873, relative to the management of lock-ups, reported on an order relative to the amendment of the prison laws, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Reports :

Plumbers.

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting plumbers from placing water or waste pipes in dwelling-houses or public buildings, unless licensed to do such work by the board of health in the city or town where said work is to be performed ;

Purity of ponds.

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing or modifying the law in relation to the purity of the ponds in the Commonwealth ;

Commissioners
to enforce the
liquor law.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law for the appointment by cities and towns of commissioners for the enforcement of the liquor law ; and

Geneva Award
Fund.

Of the committee on Federal Relations, inexpedient to legislate, on an order requesting the members of Congress from Massachusetts to procure legislation providing for the equitable distribution of the Geneva Award Fund ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To amend " An Act to authorize towns to raise money to celebrate certain anniversaries ; "

To increase the number of the board of aldermen of the city of Lowell ;

To amend the charter of the Massachusetts Loan and Trust Company ; and

In relation to the release of prisoners from the reformatory prison for women ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the union of the Boston and Lowell and Nashua and Lowell Railroad corporations ; and

Relative to law library associations ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);
Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Report by the Speaker.

The Speaker reported to the House concerning the progress made by committees in matters referred to them, that but few matters remained to be considered, and that reports would all be completed in a few days.

Business before
the committees.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Fernald of Melrose, from the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. F. Whiting and others of Holliston, that said town may be authorized to exempt from taxation for a term of ten years the Holliston Mills. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Holliston Mills.

By Mr. Foster of Tewksbury, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the State Workhouse at Bridgewater ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

State Work-
house.

By Mr. Root of Barre, from the committee on Agriculture, on petitions of William A. Warner and others, a Bill to incorporate the Massachusetts Dairy Company.

Massachusetts
Dairy Company.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the trustees of the State Lunatic-Hospital at Danvers ought to pass.

Danvers
Hospital.

By J. G. Webster of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for certain expenses connected with the removal of the State Normal Art School ought to pass.

State Normal
Art School.

By Mr. Stevens of Malden, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ought to pass.

State Alma-
house.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Resolve confirming the acts of John O. Teele as a justice of the peace ought to pass.

John O. Teele.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, the Bill concerning jurisdiction in equity was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending

Equity.

the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Goods taken on execution.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the Bill relating to the attachment or taking of goods on execution, and to bonds given thereon, was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on engrossment, was recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Tenement house at State Prison.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, the Resolve providing for the construction of a double tenement house at the State Prison at Concord was discharged from the orders of the day, and considered. The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments, and the resolve was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Boston Rapid Transit Company.

On motion of Mr. Bradford of Boston, the report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry Hastings and others for an act of incorporation as the Boston Rapid Transit Company, was discharged from the orders of the day, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for consideration until Thursday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Powers's elevated railroad.

On motion of Mr. O'Neil of Boston, the report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Powers and others for an act of incorporation as an elevated railroad company, was discharged from the orders of the day, and, on further motion of the same gentleman, it was postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Orders of the Day.

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The Resolve relative to industrial conciliation and arbitration was further considered. Its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance, was negatived, and the resolve, having been read three times, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on its engrossment.

The report of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of W. H. B. Currier and others, that the Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural and Horticultural Society may be incorporated, was further considered. The pending motion of Mr. Fifield of Salisbury, to

substitute for the report a bill, was adopted, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to exempting from taxation ships and vessels employed in foreign trade, was further considered. Mr. McCullough of Boston moved to amend by substituting for the report the "Bill relating to the taxation of ships and vessels engaged in foreign trade." After extended debate, the motion to amend prevailed, and the bill was ordered to a second reading.

The Bill (on leave) relating to payment of civil damages by venders of intoxicating liquors was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Liquor Law, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

Concerning actions for damage done by dogs to sheep, lambs, and other domestic animals ;

To amend " An Act concerning the Neponset bridge and Braintree and Weymouth turnpike ; "

To incorporate the Gloucester Street Railway Company ;

To amend chapter 76 of the Acts of 1878, entitled " An Act to supply the town of Natick with pure water ; "

To make legal the action of the town of Sandisfield in re-establishing the school-district system ;

To amend chapter 218 of the Acts of the year 1880, in relation to the release of prisoners for good conduct ; and

To secure the payment of damages occasioned by the construction of railroads ; and

Resolves :

In favor of John Donnelly ;

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary ;

Concerning the classification of the criminal insane ; and

In favor of the Disabled Soldiers' Employment Bureau ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Probate and Chancery, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Lucy Stone and others for legislation relative to conveyances by married women, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the registration laws of towns ;

To include the town of Washington within the jurisdiction of the district court of Central Berkshire ;

Concerning the right of the Commonwealth to vote on its stock in railroad corporations ;

To regulate fishing in the Merrimack River ;

Relative to the taking of fish from the Merrimack and Connecticut rivers and their tributaries ; and

Concerning records of town proprietaries and indexes in registries of deeds ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To authorize an increase of the capital stock of the Boston and Hingham Steamboat Company (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Statistics Concerning School Supervision.

School supervision.

A special report of the Board of Education, containing statistics bearing on the question of school supervision, was received, and ordered to be printed. (See House Doc. No. 280.)

Papers from the Senate.

Suits against foreign ships.

The House Bill relative to attachments in suits against the owners, officers, or seamen of foreign ships or vessels came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule ; and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Notice of levies on real estate.

A Bill relating to the service of notices in levies of executions upon real estate, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills :

Summer Street, Worcester.

To authorize the taking of land belonging to the Commonwealth for the purpose of improving Summer Street in the city of Worcester (reported on two petitions) ; and

Voting in insurance companies.

To regulate the voting of stockholders in joint stock insurance companies (substituted in the Senate for the report, no legislation necessary, on the special report of the insurance commissioner) ;

Were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Root of Barre, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 2, chapter 130, of the Acts of the year 1867, concerning the licensing of dogs. Dog licenses.

By Mr. Milliken of New Bedford, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Otis Clapp, president of the Washingtonian Home, for legislation giving to that institution a percentage of the fees received for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors. Washingtonian Home.

By Mr. Paddock of Nantucket, from the same committee, leave to withdraw (at petitioner's own request), on the petition of Sister Simplicia for aid from the State for Carney Hospital. Carney Hospital.

By Mr. Albee of Cambridge, from the committee on Elections, on the petition of W. F. Clafin and others for a recount of the votes cast for representative in the Thirtieth Middlesex District, and for an investigation of certain alleged illegal voting for representative in said district, the following resolution:— Thirtieth Middlesex District.

Resolved, That whereas it appears that at the annual election, in November last, Owen Wood, the sitting member of this House for the Thirtieth District of Middlesex County, had but three more votes returned for him than were returned for John A. Woodbury of Hopkinton; and whereas it appears that nine of the votes cast for said Wood were cast by persons not qualified to vote at said election: it is therefore declared, that said Owen Wood is not a member of this House, nor entitled to a seat therein; and it appearing that said John A. Woodbury did receive a plurality of all the legal votes cast for representative in said district, at said election, it is hereby declared, that he was duly elected a member of this House for said district, and is entitled to be qualified, and take his seat therein. Mr. Murphy of Boston dissented from the report of the committee. (See House Doc. No. 150.)

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House should concur in the Senate amendments to the House Bill to authorize the city of Haverhill to occupy a portion of a public landing in said city. Read, and accepted under suspension of the rule; and the House concurred, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly. Haverhill public landing.

City police.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to the appointment of police officers in cities ought not to pass.

Taxation report,
1875.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve relating to the printing of an additional number of copies of the commissioners' report of 1875, on taxation, ought not to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question in each case being on rejection.

Holyoke police
court.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House should concur in the Senate amendments to the Bill to establish the office of clerk of the police court of the city of Holyoke. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring in the amendments.

War records.

By Mr. Foster of Tewksbury, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve relating to the war records in the department of the adjutant-general ought to pass.

Boundaries of
towns on the
sea.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill in relation to the boundaries of cities and towns bordering upon the sea ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Costs in criminal
cases.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the report of the attorney-general, a Bill concerning the taxation of costs in criminal cases.

Ballots at
elections.

By Mr. Brown of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill to amend "An Act relative to the printing and distributing of ballots at elections."

Use of money
in elections.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to prohibit the improper use of money or other consideration for election purposes.

Inspection of
factories.

By Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, from the committee on Labor, on an order relative to the inspection of buildings and the proper enforcement of the same, a Bill to amend "An Act relating to the inspection of factories and public buildings."

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

*Special Assignment.*Preacher of
election sermon.

At half-past two o'clock P.M., the special assignment, being the election of the preacher of the annual election sermon for the year 1882, was taken up. The Speaker appointed the House members of the committee on Par-

ishes and Religious Societies a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes; and, the votes being received and counted, Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, from the committee, reported as follows:—

Whole number of votes cast	202
Necessary for a choice	102
Joseph F. Lovering of Worcester	135
All others	67

And Rev. Joseph F. Lovering was declared elected preacher of the election sermon.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, the Bill fixing upon county commissioners the power of exempting railroads from the responsibility of fencing their locations was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and was, pending the question on its engrossment, recommitted to the committee on Railroads, on further motion of the same gentleman. Railroad fences.

On motion of Mr. Newell of West Newbury, the Bill providing for the repairing or reconstruction of the bridge across Merrimack River, between the town of Groveland and the city of Haverhill, was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed second in the orders of the day. Haverhill and Groveland bridge.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the ten-hour law that men will come within its provisions, was discharged from the orders of the day, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table. Ten-hour law.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, the Bill restricting the constructing of railroads across the deep channels of Boston Harbor was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Higginson, amended, and as amended was ordered to a third reading. Railroads in Boston Harbor.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The Bill in relation to the foreclosure and redemption of mortgages was considered, and, after debate, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. F. Whiting and others of Holliston, that said town may be authorized to exempt from taxation for a term of ten years the Holliston Mills, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to prohibiting plumbers from placing water or waste pipes in dwelling-houses or public buildings unless licensed ; and

On an order relative to repealing or modifying the law in relation to the purity of the ponds in the Commonwealth ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law for the appointment by cities and towns of commissioners for the enforcement of the liquor law ; and

Of the committee on Federal Relations, inexpedient to legislate, on an order requesting the members of Congress from Massachusetts to procure legislation providing for the equitable distribution of the Geneva Award Fund ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Bills :

Concerning the examination of debtors and witnesses in proceedings in insolvency, and the discharge of insolvent debtors ;

To provide for the transfer of the tax-lists of collectors of taxes in certain cases ;

To give better security to travellers by railroad ; and

To amend chapter 175 of the Acts of the year 1873, relative to the management of lock-ups ; and

Resolves :

Confirming the acts of John O. Teele as a justice of the peace ; and

Providing for certain expenses connected with the removal of the State Normal Art School ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Gloucester Street Railway Company; and the

Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To establish union truant schools;

To amend chapter 76 of the Acts of 1873, entitled "An Act to supply the town of Natick with pure water" (its title having been amended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read, "Bill to amend 'An Act to supply the town of Natick with pure water'");

To amend chapter 218 of the Acts of the year 1880, in relation to the release of prisoners for good conduct (its title having been amended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read, "Bill to amend 'An Act to provide for the release of prisoners for good conduct'"); and the

Resolve in favor of the Disabled Soldiers' Employment Bureau;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence; and the two bills last named were severally sent up for concurrence in the amendments to their titles.

The Bill to incorporate the town of Wellesley was further considered. Mr. Cogswell of Salem moved to amend by striking out section 6, and inserting a new section, which motion prevailed. On the main question of passing the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mackintosh of Needham; and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence, by a vote of 126 yeas to 70 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.
Allen, Charles H.
Almy, James F.
Andrew, John F.
Baker, Thomas J.
Bidwell, Marshall S.
Brown, Edward P.
Brown, Leonard.
Bryant, George T.

Messrs. Buck, John W. P.
Bugbee, James M.
Bulloch, Andrew.
Bumstead, Josiah.
Burke, William J.
Burpee, William H.
Burr, Frank W.
Butler, Edward P.
Butler, John Haskell.

Messrs. Cable, Hobart M.	Messrs. Lyon, Henry.
Canterbury, Nathan D.	Mahoney, Patrick F.
Cawley, Edward.	Mansfield, Andrew.
Chamberlain, George D.	Marble, John W.
Clapp, Frank A.	Marshall, Asaph R.
Clark, William L.	McDonald, Patrick F.
Clarke, Albert E.	McGahey, Alexander B.
Coffin, Amos.	McGeough, James A.
Cogswell, William.	McManus, Edward.
Collamore, Francis.	Milliken, Eben C.
Colton, John W.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Coney, Hubert M.	Morse, George W.
Coolidge, Timothy A.	Muzzey, Henry W.
Crowell, James A.	Nichols, Joseph J.
Curtis, Hiram.	Noyes, Increase E.
Davis, Person.	O'Donnell, John.
Dever, John F.	Packard, Davis S.
Dunham, Henry J.	Parmenter, Charles O.
Eager, Edward B.	Parratt, George A.
Edwards, James.	Peck, Chauncey E.
Farrar, Job P.	Phillips, Henry M.
Fay, Thomas, jun.	Porter, Charles H.
Fernald, B. Marvin.	Rand, John C.
Fifield, Benjamin L.	Reade, John.
Fiske, George B.	Reed, Charles A.
Forbes, William T.	Rice, Frederick S.
Foster, Enoch.	Sawin, Otis D.
Fuller, Luther F.	Sawyer, Henry O.
Gaskill, Leonard T.	Scott, Thomas.
Gilbert, Lucien M.	Shaw, Edward P.
Gilman, Thomas K.	Shepard, Harvey N.
Hale, Silas W.	Smith, Zenas E.
Hamlin, Joseph P.	Stanton, John.
Hatch, Silas B.	Stevens, Edward G.
Hayden, Edward D.	Stevens, Ezra A.
Hoar, Samuel.	Stevens, J. Tyler.
Holman, William F.	Stickney, Joseph W.
Hooper, Arthur.	Stowe, Edmund M.
Howard, Robert.	Sullivan, John C.
Hughes, Atkins.	Swift, Charles F.
Johnson, William.	Tapley, Gilbert A.
Keith, Albert.	Taylor, Levi.
Kelly, Francis B.	Thayer, S. Proctor.
Kelley, Watson B.	Thompson, Joseph W.
Kendall, Ira Y.	Vinal, Quincy A.
Learnard, George E.	Wales, Jonathan.
Lincoln, Clark.	Walker, Aaron G.
Livermore, George B.	Wardwell, Henry.
Lodge, Henry C.	Warren, Nathan.
Love, John J.	Webster, John G.

Messrs. Wells, Henry J.
White, James.
Whitney, Giles H.
Whitney, Levi L.

Messrs. Wilcox, Charles W.
Wilson, Arthur H.
Wood, Owen.
Wright, John H.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, Frank D.
Ames, Edwin.
Atwood, Newell S.
Avery, Winslow W.
Bailey, Thomas F.
Baker, John I.
Barton, Leonard.
Beckford, Ebenezer.
Bixby, Nelson H.
Brackett, John Q. A.
Brown, William B.
Budington, Jonathan.
Burr, Edwin S.
Burt, George L.
Carpenter, Edward C.
Carroll, Lewis.
Cleveland, Tristram.
Corey, Charles A.
Crandall, George N.
Davenport, James F.
Donovan, Daniel.
Dorman, Asahel H.
Eddy, Charles A.
Evans, James M.
Floyd, Thomas.
French, Hartwell S.
Gifford, Rufus B.
Gill, Charles L.
Hartwell, Samuel C.
Hemphill, Ashton E.
Higginson, Thomas W.
Howland, Charles W.
Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
Jenks, Henry R.
Jewett, Albert G.

Messrs. Lamb, Abraham J.
Look, Dwight B.
Mackintosh, James.
McSorley, John.
Merritt, Christopher C.
Morrison, Daniel T.
Murphy, Timothy A.
Newell, Richard.
O'Neil, Joseph H.
Paddack, Henry.
Poor, Edward P.
Porter, Burrill, jun.
Porter, Vaniah M.
Prouty, Isaac L.
Richardson, Nath'l, jun.
Richardson, Solon O.
Robbins, Oliver W.
Root, Thomas P.
Russell, William W.
Sanborn, John H.
Shepard, George A.
Sheppard, Joel F.
Smith, Remember.
Sprague, Henry H.
Steele, Isaac A. S.
Strong, Sidney.
Tappan, William H.
Thomas, Edward I.
Tinkham, Benjamin C.
Tufts, Arthur W.
Walker, Samuel.
Webster, Edwin R.
White, Lloyd E.
Willcutt, Levi L.
Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.

Yeas, 126 ; nays, 70.

On this question, Messrs. Jefferson of Worcester, Bail of Boston, Goodwin of Chicopee, and McFarlin of Carver, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Plunkett of

Worcester, Fowler of Salem, Goulding of Lowell, and Gifford of Falmouth.

At five o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 16, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

Order.

Questions concerning the proposed liquor law to be submitted to Supreme Court.

The following order, offered by Mr. Forbes of Westborough, was, at the request of Mr. Shepard of Boston, laid over until to-morrow:—

Ordered, That the opinion of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court be required on the following questions of law: viz.,—

1. Can the adoption or rejection of a general law restricting and regulating the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors be referred by the Legislature to the people of the Commonwealth?

2. Would the provision, in an act restricting and regulating the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, that "if it shall appear that a majority of the persons (meaning legal voters of the Commonwealth assembled as elsewhere provided in said act) voting on the adoption of this act shall have voted 'No,' this act shall become void, and all existing laws shall remain in force as if this act had not been passed," be unconstitutional?

Ordered, further, That a copy of House Document No. 149 be furnished to the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Reconsideration.

Mortgages.

Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Tuesday, March 15, rejected the Bill in relation to the foreclosure and redemption of mortgages, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Holliston Mills.

Mr. Fiske of Holliston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Tuesday, March 15, accepted the report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw,

on the petition of E. F. Whiting and others of Holliston, that said town may be authorized to exempt from Taxation for a term of ten years the Holliston Mills. The motion was lost.

Papers from the Senate.

The report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to manufactures, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule.

Manufactures —
Governor's
address.

A Bill to revive and consolidate the charter of the city of Chelsea, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Chelsea.

A Bill concerning mutual fire-insurance companies, and establishing a standard form for fire-insurance policies (reported on a portion of the Governor's address, also on two House orders dated respectively Jan. 14 and Jan. 25), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Fire-insurance
policies.

The Resolve in favor of the widow of Josiah F. Stone came down with the indorsement that the Senate concurred in the suspension of the 10th joint Rule. The resolve took its several readings under suspension of the rules moved by Mr. Hill of Boston, and was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Widow of J. F.
Stone.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To amend "An Act fixing the time and place of holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk;"

To extend the time within which the Massachusetts Institute of Technology may erect buildings on certain land in the city of Boston;

Amending chapter 211 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to the descent of real estate of husband and wife dying intestate and without issue;

To authorize the Newton and Watertown Gas-Light Company to lay pipes in Weston and Needham, and to increase its capital stock;

To authorize the proprietors of Brandt Island to maintain a bridge from the island to the mainland; and

Relative to mortgaged lands taken for public uses under authority of law;

(Which severally originated in the House);

To incorporate the trustees of the Swain Free School ;
and

Relating to suits brought by or against executors, administrators, guardians, trustees, assignees, or corporations ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Inspection of
buildings.

By Mr. French of Lynn, from the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law concerning the inspection of buildings, so as to provide that chief engineers of fire departments give notice to the chief inspector of public buildings in certain cases. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

C. P. Brooks.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Charles P. Brooks ought not to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on its rejection. (See House Doc. No. 293.)

Apportionment
of taxes.

By Mr. Stevens of Malden, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to secure a more equal apportionment of the State and county taxes upon the several cities and towns ought to pass.

Bridgewater
Normal School.

By Mr. Davenport of Fall River, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the Bridgewater Normal School ought to pass.

Florida.

By Mr. Prouty of Spencer, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the town of Florida ought to pass.

Rowe.

By Mr. Merritt of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the town of Rowe ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged
female convicts.

By Mr. John G. Webster of Boston, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for the assistance of discharged female convicts ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Clerical assist-
ance in tax
commissioner's
office.

By Mr. Prouty of Spencer, from the same committee, on the annual report of the deputy tax commissioner, in part, a Bill relative to extra clerical assistance in the office of the deputy tax commissioner, and commissioner of corporations.

By Mr. Root of Barre, from the committee on Agriculture, that the Bill to determine the manner of electing trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, taken from the Senate files, ought to pass in a new draft with the same title (Messrs. Tucker of the Senate, and E. R. Webster of Boston, and Budington of Leyden, of the House, dissenting).

Agricultural
College.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (on leave) to disseminate political knowledge among the people ought to pass in a new draft with the title, "Bill relative to the use of public halls or ward-rooms."

Public halls and
ward-rooms.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order adopted in the House Jan. 31, a Bill to provide better means of egress from factories, schoolhouses, and other establishments.

Egress from
buildings.

By Mr. French of Lynn, from the same committee, on four orders dated respectively Jan. 17, 18, and Feb. 2, a Bill in relation to elevators.

Elevators.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. I. E. Noyes of Boston, from the committee on County Estimates, that the House should concur with the Senate in its amendments to the House Resolve granting county taxes. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and the House concurred; and the resolve was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

County taxes.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Shores of Lee, the Bill to protect and preserve domestic fowls and other animals was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was recommitted to the committee on Agriculture, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Fowls.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Almy of Salem, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the business of leasing household furniture, was taken from the table, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, pending the motion of Mr. Almy to substitute a bill for the report, and pending certain amendments moved to the proposed substitute by Mr. Morse of Newton.

Leases of house-
hold furniture.

Orders of the Day.

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Reports:

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law concerning the licensing of dogs;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Otis Clapp, president of the Washingtonian Home, for certain legislation; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Sister Simplicia for aid from the State for Carney Hospital;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Fisheries, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of Beverly for an amendment of the law to prohibit the taking of fish by pounds, fykes, traps, etc., was accepted in concurrence.

Bills:

To provide for an engineer at the State Prison at Concord;

To incorporate the Massachusetts Dairy Company;

To regulate the voting of stockholders in joint stock insurance companies; and

To authorize the taking of land belonging to the Commonwealth for the purpose of improving Summer Street in the city of Worcester; and

Resolves:

In favor of the State Workhouse at Bridgewater;

In favor of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury;

In favor of the trustees of the State Lunatic-Hospital at Danvers; and

Relating to the war records in the department of the adjutant-general;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

In relation to insane persons held for trial or sentence (amended on motion of Mr. Swift of Yarmouth); and

Concerning the examination of debtors and witnesses in proceedings in insolvency, and the discharge of insolvent debtors; and

Resolves:

Confirming the acts of John O. Teele as a justice of the peace; and

Concerning the classification of the criminal insane:

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve relative to industrial conciliation and arbitration was further considered, and was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To make legal the action of the town of Sandisfield in re-establishing the school-district system;

To give better security to travellers by railroad;

Restricting the constructing of railroads across the deep channels of Boston Harbor; and

To amend chapter 175 of the Acts of the year 1873, relative to the management of lock-ups (its title having been amended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read, "Bill to amend 'An Act relative to the management of lock-ups'");

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed in concurrence; and the two bills last named were sent up for concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House.

The Bill giving to the mayors of cities a veto power with respect to certain expenditures of school committees was further considered. Mr. Shepard of Boston moved to amend by substituting for the bill a new "Bill to prohibit school committees from exceeding the appropriations made by cities and towns for the support of schools," printed as House Document No. 281.

Mr. French of Lynn moved to amend the proposed substitute bill by substituting therefor a Bill relative to certain expenditures of the school committees of the various cities of the Commonwealth, printed as House Document No. 282. This motion prevailed, and the bill moved by Mr. Shepard, as thus amended, was then substituted for the original bill, and was ordered to a third reading.

At twenty minutes before six o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 17, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

Union station in
Northampton.

By Mr. Strong of Northampton, petition of the selectmen of Northampton and 282 citizens of the same town for an act requiring the establishment of a union railroad-station in said town. Referred, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Railroads, and sent up for concurrence.

Leave to Introduce a Bill Refused.

New Norfolk
Agricultural
Society.

Mr. Mackintosh of Needham asked leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate the New Norfolk Agricultural Society, which leave the House refused.

Order.

Supreme Court
on proposed
liquor law.

The order relative to asking the opinion of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court on certain questions of law concerning the proposed Bill regulating the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, was, on motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, laid on the table.

Papers from the Senate.

Assault and
battery cases.

A Bill relating to the jurisdiction of municipal, district, and police courts in cases of assault and battery, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Shanly.

A petition of Page, Spalding & Company and 70 others in favor of the claim of Walter Shanly was referred in concurrence to the committee on Claims.

Insane paupers.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the support of insane paupers committed to lunatic-hospitals in connection with criminal proceedings against them, and an order relative to amending the law concerning the support of insane persons in lunatic-hospitals, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills:

Gloucester Water
Company.
Lynn and Boston
Railroad.

To incorporate the Gloucester Water-Supply Company;
Concerning the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company;
and

Children's
Hospital.

To authorize the Children's Hospital to hold additional real and personal estate;

Severally reported on petitions, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

The House Bill concerning costs under the trustee process came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments. On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the rule requiring their reference to the committee on the Judiciary was suspended, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, on further motion of the same gentleman, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Costs in trustee process.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, a Bill in relation to the bridge of the Boston and Maine Railroad, over the Merrimack River at Haverhill (Messrs. Burke of Boston, Dever of Boston, and Hughes of Truro, dissenting, and recommending the passage of a "Bill relative to the construction of a draw in the Boston and Maine Railroad bridge over the Merrimack River at Haverhill"). Read, and ordered to a second reading.

Boston and Maine bridge at Haverhill.

Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To require copies of complaints or indictments to be sent with prisoners sent to the State Prison or to the Reformatory Prison for Women;

In relation to the appointment of a probation officer in the city of Boston;

Relative to attachments in suits against the owners, officers, or seamen of ships or vessels;

In relation to costs in trials had in the superior court instead of before sheriffs' juries;

For the regulation and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston;

To provide for the issue of summonses instead of warrants for arrest for certain minor offences;

To amend chapter 381 of the Acts of the year 1871, concerning street-railway corporations;

To provide for aiding prisoners discharged from jails and houses of correction;

To authorize the attachment, by the trustee process, of funds, credits, and dividends in the hands of receivers;

Providing for reading-matter in jails and houses of correction; and

To ratify and confirm an indenture by and between the Eastern Railroad Company and the Fitchburg Railroad Company;

(Which severally originated in the House);

To authorize railroad companies to discontinue grade-crossings;

To authorize the Hartford and Connecticut Valley Railroad Company to build a railroad in Massachusetts; and

To prohibit the entry upon and taking of lands for the construction of any railroad before the county commissioners have determined the question of crossings of highways and other ways;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves:

In relation to the connection of railroads with docks;

In relation to the draws in the bridges across Merrimack River below Haverhill;

For appointment of commissioners to establish the boundary-line between the towns of Chilmark and Tisbury; and

Providing for the construction of a tenement house at the State Prison;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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Bills:

To amend "An Act relating to the inspection of factories and public buildings;"

Relative to extra clerical assistance in the office of the deputy tax commissioner, and commissioner of corporations;

To provide for the assistance of discharged female convicts;

In relation to the boundaries of cities and towns bordering upon the sea; and

To secure a more equal apportionment of the State and county taxes upon the several cities and towns; and

Resolves:

In favor of the Bridgewater Normal School;

In favor of the town of Rowe; and

In favor of the town of Florida;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law concerning the inspection of buildings, so as to provide that chief engineers of fire departments give notice to the chief inspector of public buildings in certain cases, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill providing for the repairing or reconstruction of the bridge across the Merrimack River, between the town of Groveland and the city of Haverhill, was considered, amended on motion of Mr. Newell of West Newbury, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for an engineer at the State Prison at Concord; and

Resolves:

Providing for certain expenses connected with the removal of the State Normal Art School;

In favor of the State Workhouse at Bridgewater;

In favor of the trustees of the State Lunatic-Hospital at Danvers; and

Relating to the war records in the department of the adjutant-general;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To provide for the transfer of the tax-lists of collectors of taxes in certain cases;

To regulate the voting of stockholders in joint stock insurance companies;

To authorize the taking of land belonging to the Commonwealth for the purpose of improving Summer Street in the city of Worcester; and

To secure the payment of damages occasioned by the construction of railroads;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry Hastings and others for an act of incorporation as the Boston Rapid Transit Company, was further considered. Mr. O'Neil of Boston moved to amend the report by substituting therefor a "Bill to incorporate the Boston Rapid Transit Company" (House Doc. No. 268, modified by striking out the names of all the incorporators after the name of Edgar E. Dean).

After considerable debate, during which the order of the House limiting speeches to ten minutes each was several times suspended, the orders of the day were laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Brown of Boston.

The Order Limiting Debate Rescinded.

Limit of debate.

Mr. Metcalf of Springfield then moved that the order limiting speeches to ten minutes each, which was adopted by the House Feb. 18, be rescinded, which motion prevailed.

The Orders Taken up.

The orders were then taken from the table, and the debate was resumed ; and, without finishing consideration of the subject, the House,

At five o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 18, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Elevated
railroads.

By Mr. Rand of Medford, remonstrance of George H. Cronin and 52 others ; by Mr. Tufts of Boston, remonstrance of Messrs. Billings, Clapp, & Company and others ; by Mr. Brackett of Boston, remonstrance of J. A. Kimball and 84 others ; by Mr. Allen of Lynn, remonstrance of J. M. Chant and others ; and, by Mr. Fiske of Holliston, remonstrance of W. H. Vialle & Company and others, — severally against elevated railroads.

Severally placed on file.

Shanly.

By Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, petition of J. B. Richardson and others in aid of the claim of Walter Shanly. Referred to the committee on Claims, and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw :

Acton.

On the petition of the inhabitants of Acton for legislation to authorize said town to pay bounties to certain re-enlisted soldiers of the Twenty-sixth Massachusetts Volunteers credited to that town ;

On the petition of Charles L. Gill that the town of Stoneham may be authorized to pay certain bounties ;

Stoneham.

On the petition of B. F. Ellis for a law authorizing the town of East Bridgewater to pay certain bounties ; and

East Bridge-
water.

On the petition of the town of Natick for authority to raise money to equalize the bounties of its soldiers in the war of the Rebellion ; also

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing the town of Wilmington to pay certain bounties ; and

Wilmington.

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law so that wardens and clerks of precincts in the city of Boston shall be appointed by the mayor and aldermen ;

Clerks and
wardens in
Boston.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

A Bill to authorize the appointment of certain officers in the executive department, and to fix their compensation, reported on a bill introduced on leave in the Senate, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Certain officers
in executive
department.

The House Bill to establish the city of Malden came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, which was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Malden.

The House Bill to legalize the doings of the Sandwich Camp-Meeting Association, and to change its name, came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment to the title, inserting after the word "Sandwich" the word "District," in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule.

Sandwich
Camp-Meeting
Association.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Milliken of New Bedford, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the settlement laws.

Settlement laws.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Everett C. Bumpus, that all blind children of this State, of proper age and capacity, may be admitted to the Perkins Institute for the Blind.

Perkins
Institute.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (on leave) to amend chapter 190 of the Acts of

Paupers.

the year 1878, in relation to the settlement of paupers, ought not to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on its rejection.

South Boston
flats.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the annual report of the harbor and land commissioners, in part, a Resolve in relation to the Commonwealth's flats at South Boston. Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Ten-hour law.

By Mr. Howard of Fall River, from the committee on Labor, on an order relative to the enforcement of the ten-hour law, a Bill to regulate the hours of labor of females and minors in manufacturing and mechanical establishments (Messrs. Wiley and Ray of the Senate, and Messrs. Peck of Wilbraham, Eddy of Erving, and Cushman of Monson, of the House, dissenting).

Troy and
Greenfield
Railroad police.

By Mr. Thayer of North Adams, from the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad, on an order, a Bill to provide for the appointment of railroad police officers for the Troy and Greenfield Railroad.

Pauper insane.

By Mr. Burt of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on an order relative to the indigent insane, a Bill respecting pauperism.

Transfers of
insane.

By Mr. Hartwell of Southbridge, from the last-named committee, on a portion of the Governor's address, in part, a Bill concerning transfers of insane persons from private asylums.

Commitment of
insane.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to the expense of commitments of insane paupers, a Bill concerning the expenses of examination and of commitment of insane persons.

Ibid.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to commitment of the insane to lunatic-hospitals, a Bill in addition to "An Act regulating commitments of persons to insane-hospitals."

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Monatiquot
River.

On motion of Mr. Butler of Boston, the Bill to amend "An Act concerning the Neponset bridge and Braintree and Weymouth turnpike" was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and, on further motion of the same gentleman, it was amended, and was then passed to be engrossed as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of New Bedford for an act to legalize certain of their doings relative to altering and widening William Street, was taken from the table, and was, on motion of the same gentleman, referred to the next General Court.

William Street,
New Bedford.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on the report of the commissioners of State aid on the investigation of the claims of the surviving members, and the widows and children of deceased members, of the Eleventh and Twelfth Regiments Massachusetts Volunteers, was taken from the table, and was, on motion of Mr. McGeough of Boston, recommitted to the committee on Military Affairs.

Eleventh and
Twelfth Regi-
ments.

Orders of the Day.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the House Bill to establish the office of clerk of the police court of the city of Holyoke, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Orders of the
day.

Bills:

To incorporate the Gloucester Water-Supply Company;
Concerning the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company;
and

To authorize the Children's Hospital to hold additional real and personal estate;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To provide for the assistance of discharged female convicts;

To incorporate the Massachusetts Dairy Company; and
Relative to extra clerical assistance in the office of the deputy tax commissioner, and commissioner of corporations; and

Resolves:

In favor of the town of Rowe;

In favor of the town of Florida;

In favor of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury; and

In favor of John Donnelly;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in favor of the Bridgewater Normal School was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry Hastings and others for an act of incorporation as the Boston Rapid Transit Company, was further considered, pending the motion of Mr. O'Neil of Boston to substitute a bill.

Committee of
the whole.

After considerable debate, Mr. Dever of Boston moved to go into committee of the whole for the purpose of allowing the inventor of the Meigs Patent Elevated Railway to explain his invention, on account of which a charter was asked for, as provided in the bill moved by Mr. O'Neil. The motion prevailed, and the House resolved itself into committee of the whole, and the Speaker appointed Mr. Brackett of Boston its chairman.

Afterwards, on motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, the committee rose, and Mr. Brackett reported to the House that progress had been made in the matter referred to the committee.

On motion of Mr. Dever of Boston, the report under consideration was postponed, and placed first in the orders of the day for Tuesday next, and the House,

At five o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, March 21, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

Municipal
woman suffrage.

By Mr. Howland of Rockland, vote of the town of Rockland relative to allowing women to vote on municipal affairs. Placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

Suits against
railroads.

The House Bill providing for the trial of actions against railroad corporations for loss of life by negligence came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, which were referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Insolvent
debtors.

A Bill to amend "An Act concerning the estates of insolvent debtors," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

A Bill to amend "An Act concerning co-operative saving-fund and loan associations," reported on several petitions, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Saving-fund and loan associations.

A Resolve providing for reimbursement of State aid to the cities of Holyoke and Newton, and the towns of Andover, Tisbury, and Pepperell (reported on an order relative to State aid withheld because of informalities in making returns to the commissioners), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Holyoke, Newton, Andover, Tisbury, and Pepperell.

Notice was received from the Senate that the petition of Thomas Mackinney and others, for an act to give the board of harbor commissioners authority over the bridge of the Plum-Island Turnpike and Bridge Corporation, had been referred to the next General Court by that branch, in non-concurrence, under the 10th joint Rule.

Plum-Island turnpike.

Notice was also received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the following-named bills and resolves : —

Bills and resolves.

Senate Bill in relation to the punishment of prisoners (reported on the report of the commissioners of prisons) ;

Senate Resolve providing for the appointment of additional agents of the Board of Education (reported on the report of the secretary of the Board of Education) ;

Senate Bill to authorize the town of Andover to pay certain bounties (reported on a petition of the selectmen of Andover) ; and the House bills :

In relation to the registration and filing of orders affecting the title of land ;

Relative to the jurisdiction of the municipal court of the East Boston district over the town of Winthrop ;

To confirm and legalize the acts and decisions of Charles Winslow Hall as trial-justice of the town of Winthrop ; and

To define the term of office of county commissioners and special county commissioners.

Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Regulating the use of explosive, combustible, and inflammable compounds in manufacturing establishments ;

To authorize the city of Haverhill to occupy a portion of a public landing in said city ;

To establish the second district court of Eastern Middlesex ;

To amend the charter of the Worcester Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

To legalize the doings of the Sandwich District Camp-Meeting Association, and to change its name ;

Relative to sentences to the State Prison of persons already under sentence to imprisonment in jails and houses of correction ;

Relating to the delivery by executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees, upon resignation, of property in their hands to their successors ; and

In addition to the Acts for the purpose of supplying the city of Boston with pure water ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the taking of land belonging to the Commonwealth for the purpose of improving Summer Street in the city of Worcester ;

To provide for the transfer of the tax-lists of collectors of taxes in certain cases ;

To amend "An Act relating to the management of lock-ups ;"

To regulate the voting of stockholders in joint stock insurance companies ;

To make legal the action of the town of Sandisfield in re-establishing the school-district system ;

To amend "An Act to supply the town of Natick with pure water ;"

To establish union truant schools ;

To give better security to travellers by railroad ; and

To amend "An Act to provide for the release of prisoners for good conduct ;"

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

Granting county taxes ;

In favor of the widow of Josiah F. Stone ;

In relation to the boundary-line between Massachusetts and Rhode Island ;

In favor of Hosea Hathaway ; and

In favor of the widow of George M. Newton ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

In favor of the Disabled Soldiers' Employment Bureau (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Marshall of Worcester,—

Election
sermon.

Ordered, That the clerk be instructed to inform the Rev. Joseph F. Lovering of his election as preacher of the annual election sermon for the year 1882.

Salaries of Insurance Officers, etc.

A supplementary report was received from the insurance commissioner, relative to salaries and emoluments paid by the several life-insurance companies doing business in Massachusetts to their officers in 1873 and 1880, which was referred to the committee on Insurance, and sent up for concurrence.

Salaries of in-
surance officers.

Taken from the Table.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, in expedient to legislate, on an order relative to fraudulently evading payment of fares on railroads, was, on motion of Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, taken from the table, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Evading fares.

Discharged from the Orders.

The Bill to empower the Baptist Religious Society in Haverhill to convey its real estate free of trusts was, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, discharged from the orders of the day, and was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Baptist Re-
ligious Society
— Haverhill.

The Bill to supply the town of Weymouth with pure water was, on motion of Mr. Canterbury of Weymouth, discharged from the orders of the day, amended on motions of Mr. Sheppard of Braintree and Mr. Canterbury, passed to be engrossed as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

Weymouth.

The Bill concerning mutual fire-insurance companies, and establishing a standard form for fire-insurance policies, was, on motion of Mr. Warren of Waltham, discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Warren, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Form of insur-
ance policies.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on Finance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order authorizing cities and towns to discharge their indebtedness to the Commonwealth before maturity, was, on motion of Mr. Colton of Westfield, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, pending a motion of the same gentleman to amend by substituting for the report a bill.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating fares on railroads, was, on motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to give Priscilla Freeman and her children the right to fish in Tisbury Great Pond, in Dukes County, was, on motion of Mr. Burke of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills :

To secure a more equal apportionment of the State and county taxes upon the several cities and towns ;

To incorporate the Gloucester Water-Supply Company ;

Concerning the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company ;
and

To authorize the Children's Hospital to hold additional real and personal estate (its title having been amended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading by inserting after the word "hospital" the words "in Boston") ;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence ; and the last-named bill was sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the settlement laws, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to appointment of wardens and clerks of precincts in the city of Boston ; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of the inhabitants of Acton for legislation to authorize said town to pay bounties to certain re-enlisted soldiers of the Twenty-sixth Massachusetts Volunteers credited to that town ; and

On the petition of the town of Natick for authority to raise money to equalize the bounties of its soldiers in the war of the Rebellion;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Bills:

Concerning the expenses of examination and of commitment of insane persons; and

To authorize the appointment of certain officers in the executive department, and to fix their compensation;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Powers and others for an act of incorporation as an elevated railroad company, was, on motion of Mr. O'Neil of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

The Bill to amend "An Act to impose an excise tax upon life-insurance companies" was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Brown of Boston moved to amend by substituting a "Bill to repeal 'An Act to impose an excise tax upon life-insurance companies,'" which, after debate, was rejected; and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to set off the town of Natick from the jurisdiction of the first district court of Southern Middlesex was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, the orders of the day were, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, laid on the table.

At five o'clock adjourned until eleven o'clock A.M. to-morrow.

TUESDAY, March 22, 1881.

Met, according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, remonstrances of Leopold Morse & Company and others, Bowker, Torrey, & Company, and others, Francis B. Hayes and others, and Abbott Law-

Elevated
railroads.

rence and others; and, by Mr. Gifford of Salem, remonstrance of Dexter H. Follett and 783 others, — severally against elevated railroads.

Severally placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

Lancaster Railroad Company.

The House Bill concerning the Lancaster Railroad Company came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule.

Bank shares held by savings banks.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the expediency of amending section 12 of chapter 815 of the Acts of the year 1875, relative to the amount credited to any savings bank on account of shares in banks and banking associations which on the first day of May are the absolute property of said bank, and recommending its reference to the committee on Taxation, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence.

Salter's Beach.

A Bill to protect Salter's Beach in the towns of Duxbury and Plymouth, reported on petitions, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Shanly.

A petition of the Wright & Potter Printing Company and others in favor of the claim of Walter Shanly was referred in concurrence to the committee on Claims.

Reports of Committees.

Street-railway passengers.

By Mr. Gifford of Salem, from the committee on Street Railways, on an order, a Resolve in relation to the limitation of the number of passengers in street-railway cars.

Second Universalist Society — Western.

By Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Second Universalist Society in the town of Western.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Motion to Take from the Table.

Supreme Court on proposed liquor law.

Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge moved to take from the table the order relative to asking the opinion of the Supreme Judicial Court on certain questions pertaining to the Bill concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. The motion was lost.

*Orders of the Day.***Bills:**

To incorporate the Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural and Horticultural Society;

To amend "An Act relative to the printing and distributing of ballots at elections;" and

In addition to "An Act regulating commitments of persons to insane-hospitals;"

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the appointment of certain officers in the executive department, and to fix their compensation, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry Hastings and others for an act of incorporation as the Boston Rapid Transit Company, was further considered. Mr. O'Neil of Boston moved to amend his proposed substitute bill by striking out names of certain corporators mentioned therein, which was adopted. On the question of substituting the bill for the report, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Sprague of Boston; and, the roll being called, the motion to amend was lost by a vote of 88 yeas to 128 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, Charles H.

Almy, James F.

Avery, Winslow W.

Bixby, Nelson H.

Brown, Leonard.

Bryant, George T.

Burr, Frank W.

Cawley, Edward.

Clarke, Albert E.

Cogswell, William.

Donovan, Daniel.

Fay, Thomas, jun.

Galvin, Owen A.

Gilman, Thomas K.

Hemphill, Ashton E.

Higginson, Thomas W.

Howard, Robert.

Kelly, Francis B.

Lamb, Abraham J.

Messrs. Love, John J.

Mahoney, Patrick F.

Marble, John W.

McCullough, Thomas.

McDonald, Patrick F.

Metcalf, Edwin D.

Murphy, Timothy A.

Nichols, Joseph J.

O'Donnell, John.

O'Neil, Joseph H.

Parmenter, Charles O.

Shepard, George A.

Sheppard, Joel F.

Stanton, John.

Steele, Isaac A. S.

Swift, Charles F.

Thayer, S. Proctor.

Walker, Samuel.

Wright, John H.

Orders of the
day.

NAYS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.	Messrs. Freeman, Jesse H.
Allen, Frank D.	French, Hartwell S.
Ames, Edwin.	Fuller, Luther F.
Andrew, John F.	Gaskill, Leonard T.
Atwood, Newell S.	Gifford, Rufus B.
Ayer, Thomas P.	Gilbert, Lucien M.
Bail, George W.	Hartwell, Samuel C.
Bailey, Thomas F.	Hatch, Silas B.
Baker, Thomas J.	Hayden, Edward D.
Barton, Leonard.	Hill, Hamilton A.
Beckford, Ebenezer.	Hooper, Arthur.
Bidwell, Marshall S.	Hughes, Atkins.
Bosworth, Edwin R.	Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
Brackett, John Q. A.	Jefferson, Martin V. B.
Bradford, Martin L.	Jewett, Albert G.
Brown, Charles F.	Jones, Thomas B.
Brown, Edward P.	Joyce, John.
Brown, William B.	Keith, Albert.
Buck, John W. P.	Learnard, George E.
Budington, Jonathan.	Lincoln, Clark.
Bumstead, Josiah.	Livermore, George B.
Burke, William J.	Lodge, Henry C.
Burpee, William H.	Mansfield, Andrew.
Burt, George L.	Marshall, Asaph R.
Butler, Edward P.	McFarlin, Peleg.
Carpenter, Edward C.	McGahey, Alexander B.
Clapp, Frank A.	McGeough, James A.
Clark, William L.	McSorley, John.
Cleveland, Tristram.	Miller, J. Hervey.
Coffin, Amos.	Muzzey, Henry W.
Collamore, Francis.	Noyes, Increase E.
Colton, John W.	Packard, Davis S.
Coolidge, Timothy A.	Paddack, Henry.
Crandall, George N.	Parratt, George A.
Crowell, James A.	Plunkett, Francis.
Curtis, Hiram.	Poor, Edward P.
Davenport, James F.	Porter, Burrill, jun.
Dorman, Asahel H.	Porter, Charles H.
Dunham, Henry J.	Prouty, Isaac L.
Eager, Edward R.	Quirk, Dennis G.
Eddy, Charles A.	Rice, Frederick S.
Edwards, James.	Richardson, Nat'l, jun.
Farrar, Job P.	Richardson, Solon O.
Fay, George F.	Root, Thomas P.
Fernald, B. Marvin.	Russell, William W.
Floyd, Thomas.	Sanborn, John H.
Forbes, William T.	Sawin, Otis D.
Foster, Enoch.	Searles, George F.

Messrs. Shores, Norman W.	Messrs. Tinkham, Benjamin C.
Slocum, Henry A.	Tufts, Joseph A.
Smith, Remember.	Valpey, Samuel B.
Smith, Zenas E.	Vinal, Quincy A.
Sprague, Henry H.	Vining, David T.
Stevens, Edward G.	Walker, Aaron G.
Stevens, Ezra A.	Wardwell, Henry.
Stickney, Joseph W.	Warren, Nathan.
Stover, Augustus W.	Webster, Edwin B.
Stowe, Edmund M.	Webster, John G.
Strong, Sidney.	Wells, Henry J.
Tapley, Gilbert A.	White, James.
Tappan, William H.	Whitney, Giles H.
Taylor, Levi.	Willcutt, Levi L.
Thomas, Edward I.	Wilson, Arthur H.
Thompson, Joseph W.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.

Yeas, 38; nays, 123.

On this question, Messrs. Mellen of Worcester, Baker of Beverly, Dever of Boston, Stevens of Malden, Chamberlain of Cambridge, Hamlin of Boston, Merritt of Springfield, Peck of Wilbraham, Gargan of Boston, Newell of West Newbury, Carroll of Marblehead, Goodwin of Chicopee, Moriarty of Worcester, Howland of Rockland, Shaw of Chicopee, Bowerman of Pittsfield, Robbins of Pittsfield, and Coney of Springfield, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Hale of Milford, Bugbee of Boston, Shepard of Boston, Cushman of Monson, Wilcox of Milford, Reade of Boston, Reed of Taunton, Lyon of Boston, Scott of Lawrence, Wales of Randolph, Milliken of New Bedford, Goulding of Lowell, Tufts of Boston, Fowler of Salem, Butler of Somerville, Hoar of Concord, Canterbury of Weymouth, and Phillips of Springfield.

At five o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 23, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Collamore of Pembroke, vote of the town of Pembroke in favor of extending to women who are citi-

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woman suffrage.

zens the right to vote in town affairs and to hold town offices. Placed on file.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, —

Limit of debate.

Ordered, That in debate of all matters coming before the House, speeches be limited to ten minutes each. This rule shall not be suspended except by a vote of two-thirds of the members present; if this rule is suspended, it shall entitle the member speaking to ten minutes additional, and no more, without the consent of four-fifths of the members present.

Expediting the Business of the House.

Expediting
business.

A motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, that the Speaker and the committee on Expediting the Business of the House consider and report to-morrow morning what measures may be taken to more expeditiously dispose of matters in the orders of the day, was adopted.

Reports of Committees.

Town River.

By Mr. Tappan of Manchester, from the committee on the Fisheries, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the selectmen of East Bridgewater and others for a law prohibiting the discharge of sewage from the Bridgewater Normal School into Town River. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Malden.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House should non-concur in the Senate amendment to the House Bill to establish the city of Malden.

Suits against
railroads.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the same committee, that the House should concur in the Senate amendments at A, B, C, and D, and non-concur in the amendment at E, and also non-concur in striking out section 4 of the Bill providing for the trial of actions against railroad corporations for loss of life by negligence.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Chelsea.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the same committee, that the Bill to revise and consolidate the charter of the city of Chelsea ought to pass with an amendment striking out section 19.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to the jurisdiction of municipal, district, and police courts, in cases of assault and battery, ought to pass.

Assault and
battery cases.

By Mr. Foster of Tewksbury, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the towns of Florida, Rowe, and Charlemont, ought to pass.

Florida, Rowe,
and Charlemont.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (recommitted) relating to attachment, or the taking of goods on execution, and to bonds given therefor, ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Goods taken on
execution.

By Mr. Russell of Sunderland, from the committee on Agriculture, on the report of the commissioners on contagious diseases among cattle (which was never sent down from the Senate for concurrence in the reference to the committee), a Bill in relation to the appraisal of animals diseased with glanders or farcy.

Glanders or
farcy.

By Mr. Wales of Randolph, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, that the Senate Bill concerning returns of registers of probate and insolvency ought to pass in a new draft with the title, "Bill concerning returns of registers of probate and insolvency, registers of deeds, and commissioners of insolvency."

Registers'
returns.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, that the Senate Bill requiring judges of probate courts to make return of decrees of adoption ought not to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Adoption.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill to establish the city of Brockton came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House non-concurred under suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Brockton.

The Bill to provide for laying out a public park in the town of Marblehead came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Marblehead
park.

Bills:**Drunkenness.**

Relative to the punishment of drunkenness (reported on an order, and the House Bill to amend "An Act relative to the punishment for drunkenness"); and

Registrars of voters.

To establish registrars of voters in cities (reported on a Senate order dated Jan. 31, a House order bearing the same date, and a petition of the mayor of Springfield);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Railroads in Boston Harbor.

The Bill restricting the construction of railroads across the deep channels of Boston Harbor, passed to be engrossed by the House, in concurrence, with an amendment, came down concurred, with an amendment to the amendment adopted by the House. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

Transfers of stock.

A Bill relating to the transfer of stock in corporations, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.**Bills enacted.****Engrossed bills:**

To establish the office of clerk of the police court of Holyoke;

To compel the use of power-brakes on the Troy and Greenfield Railroad;

Relating to the service of writs and other process against sheriffs;

To amend section 1 of chapter 99 of the General Statutes, respecting the distribution of insolvent estates of deceased persons;

Concerning the payment of salaries of county officers;

To provide for the appointment of an assistant district attorney for the northern district;

To amend "An Act concerning the collection of State taxes upon corporations;" and

To authorize the city of Worcester to purchase, hold, and sell certain land in said city;

(Which severally originated in the House);

To secure the payment of damages occasioned by the construction of railroads (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the Bridgewater Normal School (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston, the Bill relative to advertising applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors, and restricting the granting of such licenses, was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Application for
licenses.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill to amend "An Act concerning co-operative saving-fund and loan associations" was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and was, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, recommitted to the committee on Labor, on the further motion of the same gentleman.

Saving-fund
associations.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill concerning mutual fire-insurance companies, and establishing a standard form for fire-insurance policies, was further considered. Mr. Hoar of Concord moved to strike out section 3 of the bill, which motion was lost, and after debate the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Powers and others for an act of incorporation as an elevated railroad company, was further considered. Mr. Baker of Beverly moved that the reasons appended to the report be stricken therefrom, which motion was lost, and the report was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Finance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order authorizing cities and towns to discharge their indebtedness to the Commonwealth before maturity, was further considered. Mr. Colton of Westfield moved to amend by substituting for the report a "Bill authorizing the treasurer to receive a less rate of interest on the debt of Westfield to the Commonwealth than now provided." Mr. Hill of Boston moved to amend the bill moved by Mr. Colton by substituting therefor a "Resolve in aid of the town of Westfield." Mr. Hartwell of Southbridge raised the point of order, that the resolve moved by Mr. Hill was not germane to the proposition to which it was moved as an amendment. The Chair (Mr. Cogswell of Salem) ruled that the point of order was not well taken, both propositions being for the relief of the town of West-

field. The amendment moved by Mr. Hill was accepted by Mr. Colton, by general consent, and after debate the resolve moved by Mr. Hill was substituted for the report, and ordered to a second reading, under suspension of Rule 42.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating fares on railroads, was further considered. Mr. Metcalf of Springfield moved to substitute for the report a "Bill to regulate railroad-fares." After debate the motion to substitute was adopted, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Bills:

Concerning transfers of insane persons from private asylums;

To change the name of the Second Universalist Society in the town of Western; and the

Resolve in relation to the limitation of the number of passengers in street-railway cars;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, and the bills and resolve were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence, the orders of the day being laid on the table by general consent.

Bills:

Concerning the expenses of examination and of commitment of insane persons; and

In addition to "An Act regulating commitments of persons to insane-hospitals;"

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to protect Salter's Beach in the towns of Duxbury and Plymouth was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Everett C. Bumpus, that all blind children of this State, of proper age and capacity, may be admitted to the Perkins Institute for the Blind, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to give Priscilla Freeman and her children the right to fish in Tisbury Great Pond, in Dukes County, was further considered. The question on rejection, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, was negatived,

and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

At five minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 24, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Strong of Northampton, vote of the town of Northampton, asking for a law to extend to women who are citizens the right to hold town offices, and to vote in town affairs. Placed on file. Municipal woman suffrage.

Rule 15 Suspended.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly, Rule 15, which requires the clerk to retain papers in reference to which any member has a right to move a reconsideration for one legislative day, was suspended until otherwise ordered. Rule 15.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Concerning the Lancaster Railroad Company; and
To amend "An Act relating to conditional pardons;"
(Which severally originated in the House); and

To secure a more equal apportionment of the State and county taxes upon the several cities and towns (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed Bill Amended.

The Bill to incorporate the Gloucester Water-Supply Company was put upon its final passage. On motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston, the rule that no engrossed bill shall be amended was suspended. An amendment moved by that gentleman was then adopted, and the bill as amended was sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment. Gloucester Water Company.

*Expediting Business.*Expediting
business.

The Speaker, in behalf of the committee on Expediting Business, and in accordance with an order of the House, reported that the committee had decided to recommend to the House that the orders of the day be laid on the table at half-past two o'clock this afternoon, and that certain numbers in the orders, which the committee had found, on inquiry, promised to occasion but little debate (and which the Speaker named), should be discharged from the orders, and considered.

When the hour named arrived, the orders were accordingly laid on the table, and certain of the matters referred to were discharged and considered, as elsewhere recorded.

Papers from the Senate.

Railroad leases.

A report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to limiting the time within which one railroad corporation can lease to another, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills:

Gas-meters.

To amend chapter 168 of the Acts of the year 1861, relating to the inspection of gas-meters (reported on the annual report of the State inspector of gas and gas-meters); and

Framingham
and Lowell
Railroad.

To authorize the purchasers of the franchises and property of the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to organize a new corporation (reported on a petition);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Harbor and land
commissioners.

The House Bill to amend "An Act to establish the board of harbor and land commissioners" (reported on the report of the harbor and land commissioners) came down with the indorsement thereon, "recommended to the committee on Expenditures, with instructions to report thereon, in connection with other questions, respecting the increase of salaries which have been committed to them." The House concurred, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Boston water-
meters.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Boston to attach meters to buildings which it supplies with water came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-

morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

A Bill relating to the appointment of constables for certain municipal courts in the city of Boston, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Boston —
constables.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill to protect the lives of railroad brakemen had been rejected by that branch. Brakemen.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to authorize the Middlesex Aqueduct Corporation to take real estate for increasing its water-supply, and for other purposes, ought not to pass for reasons printed in House Document No. 325. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill. Middlesex
Aqueduct
Corporation.

By Mr. Wells of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, on an order relative to providing clerical assistance in the courts of probate and insolvency in the several counties, a Bill relating to registers of probate and insolvency in the several counties. Registers of
probate.

By Mr. Gifford of Salem, from the committee on the State House, on a portion of the Governor's address, a Resolve providing for certain improvements of the State House. State House.

Severally read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge, from the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to the inspection of meat brought into the Commonwealth for sale, and concerning the sale of unwholesome food. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence. Inspection of
meat.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Shepard of Boston, the Bill providing for the preservation of lobsters was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, passed to be engrossed as amended, and sent up for concurrence. Lobsters.

Boards of
health.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, the Bill to amend "An Act relating to boards of health in the several cities of the Commonwealth" was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston, passed to be engrossed as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Charles-river
promenade.

To authorize the construction of the Charles-river promenade ;

Fire-insurance
districts.
Damages by
dogs.

To establish fire-insurance districts ; and

Concerning actions for damage done by dogs to sheep, lambs, and other domestic animals (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read, "Bill to amend 'An Act concerning dogs, and for the protection of sheep and other domestic animals' ") ;

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, on motions of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Costs in criminal
cases.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, the Bill concerning the taxation of costs in criminal cases was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and was, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, referred to the next General Court, on motion of Mr. McGeough of Boston.

Pauper insane.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, the Bill respecting pauperism was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Evading fares.

On further motion of Mr. Higginson, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to fraudulently evading payment of fares on railroads, was discharged from the orders of the day. Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge moved to amend by substituting for the report a "Bill to punish the fraudulent evasion of the payment of hack or carriage fares," which was adopted ; and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow for a second reading.

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day.

The Bill to set off the town of Natick from the jurisdiction of the first district court of Southern Middlesex was further considered, and was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to secure to women the right to hold city and town offices, and to vote for city and town officers, upon all municipal affairs and town and city business, was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on motion of Mr. Johnson of Everett, postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

The Bill to incorporate the Ayer Water Company was read a second time, amended on motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord by striking out section 6, and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day being laid on the table, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, and the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill relating to jurisdiction over actions of tort was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, passed to be engrossed as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill for the better preservation of deer was read a third time, and, pending the question on engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Gifford of Falmouth, recommitted to the committee on Agriculture.

The report of the committee on the Fisheries, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the selectmen of East Bridgewater and others for a law prohibiting the discharge of sewage from the Bridgewater Normal School into Town River, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The House non-concurred in the Senate amendment to the House Bill to establish the city of Malden, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendment to the House amendment to the Bill restricting the construction of railroads across the deep channels of Boston harbor, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

The Senate Bill requiring judges of probate courts to make return of decrees of adoption was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Chancery, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Bills:

Concerning the tenure of office of teachers in the public schools;

Relating to attachment, or the taking of goods on execution, and to bonds given therefor; and

Relating to the jurisdiction of municipal, district, and police courts in cases of assault and battery;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

Concerning returns of registers of probate and insolvency, registers of deeds, and commissioners of insolvency; and

In relation to the appraisal of animals diseased with glanders or farcy; and

Resolves:

In aid of the town of Westfield; and

In favor of the towns of Florida, Rowe, and Charlemont;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day being laid on the table, the rules were suspended on motions of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, and these bills and resolves were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to revise and consolidate the charter of the city of Chelsea was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, by striking out the nineteenth section, and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day being laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the rules were suspended; and the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill to provide for a single ballot at national and State elections was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Hoar of Concord moved to amend by substituting a "Bill to provide for a single ballot for all officers except representatives to the General Court," which was adopted. Subsequently Mr. Brown of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House adopted the amendment moved by Mr. Hoar. The motion prevailed, and the question recurring on the adoption of the amendment, it was rejected, and the bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to further extend the time in certain cases for the redemption of real estate was read a second time, and considered. Certain amendments moved by Mr. Morse of Newton were lost, and after debate the bill was rejected.

At fifteen minutes before five o'clock adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 25, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge, a Bill to require the Housatonic Railroad Company to construct a station at Stockbridge. Read, and referred, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Railroads, and sent up for concurrence.

Stockbridge
railroad-station.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, a Bill to repeal a portion of chapter 213 of the Acts of the year 1860, entitled "An Act making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes." Read, and considered under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Stamping can-
celled securities.

Motion to Reconsider.

A motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, that the House reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the "Bill to further extend the time in certain cases for the redemption of real estate," was lost.

Redemption of
real estate.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 432 of the Acts of the year 1869, entitled "An Act to further protect the interests of the Commonwealth in tide-harbors," accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Tide harbors.

The House Bill authorizing the Fitchburg Railroad Company and the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company to change their location in the town of Belmont came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment striking out the proviso in the second sec-

Fitchburg and
Massachusetts
Central Rail-
roads.

tion, adopted by the House on the second reading, in which amendment the House concurred under suspension of the rule.

Bills :

Hoosac Tunnel.

In addition to "An Act to provide for the management of the Hoosac Tunnel and the Troy and Greenfield Railroad" (reported, in part, on a Senate order dated Feb. 2);

Massachusetts Central Railroad.

In relation to the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company (reported, finally, on the petition of the Massachusetts Central Railroad, for extension of time within which to locate its road, etc.);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Women voting for school committees.

The House Bill giving women the right to vote for members of school committees, and on other matters pertaining to public schools, came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Bills Enacted, and Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To provide for laying out a public park in the town of Marblehead; and

In relation to insane persons held for trial or sentence; (Which severally originated in the House);

To authorize the appointment of certain officers in the executive department, and to fix their compensation;

Concerning the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company;

To authorize the Children's Hospital in Boston to hold additional real and personal estate; and

Restricting the construction of railroads across the deep channels of Boston Harbor;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve concerning the separation of the criminal insane (which originated in the House, and the title to which was amended in the Senate) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Revision of the Statutes.

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the committee on the Consolidation and Arrangement of the General Statutes, that the following order should be adopted:—

Ordered, That, in acting upon the report of the commissioners appointed under chapter 46 of the Resolves of the year 1880, no amendment attempting a substantial change or modification of existing law shall be entertained. This order shall not be amended, suspended, or rescinded, except by a concurrent vote of four-fifths of the members of each branch present and voting thereon. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Wilson of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, that the Bill to incorporate the Lexington Water Company ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Lexington Water Company.

By Mr. Rand of Boston, from the same committee, on petitions, a Bill to require the city of Boston to abate a nuisance caused by it in Mystic Lower Pond, for protecting the purity of the waters of said pond, and for the preservation of the public health, especially in the towns of Medford and Arlington (Mr. Lyon of Boston, of the House, dissenting).

Mystic Lower Pond.

By Mr. Brown of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill concerning the election of aldermen in the city of Boston.

Boston aldermen.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wilson of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, on an order relative to providing for increased compensation for medical examiners in certain cases, a Bill to amend "An Act to abolish the office of coroner, and to provide for medical examinations and inquests in cases of death by violence." Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Medical examiners.

By Mr. Vining of Conway, from the last-named committee, that the Bill (recommitted) to amend chapter 26 of the General Statutes, relating to boards of health, ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Boards of health.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Forbes of Westborough, the Bill concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and was, pending the question on engrossment, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Prohibitory bill.

Thirtieth Middlesex District.

On motion of Mr. Albee of Cambridge, the Resolution concerning the seat now held by Owen Wood, as member for the Thirtieth Middlesex Representative District, was discharged from the orders of the day, and postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday, on further motion of Mr. Albee, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

Pauper insane.

On motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, the "Bill respecting pauperism" was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, amended in the title, on further motion of the same gentleman, to read, "Bill to provide that certain persons having relatives supported in public institutions at the expense of the State shall not, for that reason, be deemed paupers," passed to be engrossed as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

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The Bill concerning judgment-debtors was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to improve the sanitary condition of the public schools was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, was postponed for further consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. Butler of Somerville.

The Bill to provide for the retirement of the justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior courts, and judges of probate and insolvency, and for their compensation in certain cases, was further considered, and, after debate, was refused a third reading by a vote of 51 to 85.

The report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing the discharge of the sewage of the State Prison into the Concord River and its tributaries, was, on motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, laid on the table.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring manufacturing corporations to pay their employes weekly or fortnightly, was, on motion of Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, postponed for consideration until Monday.

The Senate Bill making New-Year's Day and the day of the annual election for State officers legal holidays was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Thomas of Brookline moved to amend by substituting a "Bill making New-

Year's Day a legal holiday" (printed as Senate No. 67), which was adopted, amendments moved to the substitute bill by Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield having been first adopted; and the bill was then refused a third reading by a vote of 57 to 59. Notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles L. Gill, that the town of Stoneham may be authorized to pay certain bounties, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill (on leave) to amend chapter 190 of the Acts of the year 1878, in relation to the settlement of paupers, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The House concurred in certain Senate amendments, and non-concurred in certain others, to the Bill providing for the trial of actions against railroad corporations for loss of life by negligence, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Bills:

To authorize the purchasers of the franchises and property of the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to organize a new corporation; and

To provide better means of egress from factories, school-houses, and other establishments;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the jurisdiction of municipal, district, and police courts, in cases of assault and battery, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing a more efficient system of supervision for the public schools, was considered. Mr. Higginson of Cambridge moved to amend by substituting a "Bill to provide a system of common-school supervision for certain of the less populous and wealthy towns of the Commonwealth," which, after debate, was lost. The same gentleman then moved to amend by substituting a similar bill with the title, "Bill to provide additional supervision for common schools," but which provided that the money to be expended for carrying out its provisions should be annually appropriated

Question of
order.

from the State treasury, instead of being taken from the annual income of the Massachusetts school fund, as provided in the first proposed substitute. Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield raised the point of order that this bill was substantially the same as the bill just rejected by the House, and was therefore not in order under Rule 47. The Chair ruled that the point was not well taken, the bill having been sufficiently changed in substance as to be a new proposition within the rule. Mr. Bowerman respectfully appealed from the decision of the Chair, and his appeal was seconded by Mr. Tufts of Boston. On the question whether the decision of the Chair should stand as the judgment of the House, a rising vote was taken, and the House sustained the ruling of the Chair by a vote of 157 to 4.

The House then refused to substitute the bill for the report, and the report was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

At eight minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

MONDAY, March 28, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Oleomargarine. By Mr. Budington of Leyden, petition of members of the Boston Produce Exchange in aid of the petition of the Franklin County Agricultural Society for a law restricting the sale of oleomargarine. Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Shanly. By Mr. Tufts of Fitchburg, petition of Alfred Mudge and others in favor of the claim of Walter Shanly. Referred to the committee on Claims.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Motion to Reconsider.

New-Year's and
election day.

Mr. Allen of Lynn moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, refused to order to a third reading the Senate Bill making New-Year's Day and the day of the annual election for State officers legal holidays. The motion was lost, and notice of the rejection of the bill was sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill to amend section 64 of chapter 136 of the General Statutes, relating to the partition of lands, came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House non-concurred under suspension of the rules, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly. Partition of lands.

A Bill relating to the empanelling of juries, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Juries.

A Bill to enable the town of Peabody to improve its water-works, and increase its water-supply (reported on a petition, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate), was read. On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, the rule was suspended, that the bill might be at once considered. It was read a second time, and, on further motion of Mr. Wardwell, was laid on the table, pending the question on ordering to a third reading. Peabody water.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Porter of Quincy, from the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on the supplementary report of the insurance commissioner, relative to salaries, etc., paid by insurance companies. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence. Salaries by insurance companies.

By Mr. Stevens of Malden, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve providing for reimbursement of State aid to the cities of Holyoke and Newton, and the towns of Andover, Tisbury, and Pepperell, ought to pass. Holyoke, etc.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill to amend "An Act to abolish the office of coroner, and to provide for medical examinations and inquests in cases of death by violence" ought to pass. Medical examiners.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Prouty of Spencer, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Bill relating to registers of probate and insolvency in the several counties. Read and accepted; and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading. Registers of probate.

Militia law.

By Mr. Hayden of Woburn, from the same committee, that the Bill to amend "An Act to provide for the enrolment of the militia, for the organization of the volunteer militia, and for the public defence," ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Trustees and receivers of savings banks.

By Mr. Thomas of Brookline, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order relative to further legislation concerning savings banks, in part, a Bill relative to reports of trustees and receivers of savings banks and institutions for savings.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

*Discharged from the Orders.***Fire-insurance policies.**

On motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, the Bill concerning mutual fire-insurance companies, and establishing a standard form for fire-insurance policies, was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

*Bills Enacted.***Bills enacted.**

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the Peabody Institute in Peabody ; and
Providing for the repairing or reconstruction of the bridge across Merrimack River, between the town of Groveland and the city of Haverhill ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

*Orders of the Day.***Orders of the day.**

Bills :

To amend "An Act relating to the inspection of factories and public buildings ;" and

To amend "An Act relative to the printing and distributing of ballots at elections ;"

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the purchasers of the franchises and property of the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to organize a new corporation was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to

amending "An Act to further protect the interests of the Commonwealth in tide-harbors," was accepted in concurrence.

Bills:

To amend chapter 168 of the Acts of the year 1861, relating to the inspection of gas-meters;

In relation to the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company; and

To incorporate the Lexington Water Company;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to improve the sanitary condition of the public schools was further considered, the question being on engrossment. Amendments moved by Messrs. Ames of Worcester, and Porter of Attleborough, were adopted, and after debate the bill was rejected, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring manufacturing corporations to pay their employés weekly or fortnightly, was further considered. Mr. Nichols of Lawrence moved to substitute for the report a "Bill to require manufacturing corporations to pay their employés at intervals not exceeding fourteen days." After debate the motion was lost by a vote of 42 to 91, and the report was then accepted in concurrence.

The Bill relative to employment by railroad companies of persons affected with defective sight or color-blindness was read a third time, and considered. The report of the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, that another bill with the same title (printed as House Document No. 330) should be substituted, was accepted, and the bill proposed by the committee was substituted. Subsequently Mr. Lodge of Nahant moved to reconsider the vote whereby the proposed bill was substituted, which motion prevailed. The question recurring on substituting the bill, amendments moved thereto by Messrs. Lodge of Nahant, and Smith of Boston, were adopted, and the bill as amended was substituted for the original bill, and was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At twelve minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 29, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Papers from the Senate.*Pollution of
streams.

The report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation to prevent the pollution of natural streams and water-courses by sewage or other substances, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Stamping
securities.

The House Bill to repeal a portion of chapter 213 of the Acts of the year 1860, entitled "An Act making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes," came down with the indorsement that the Senate concurred in the suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading, under suspension of the rule moved by Mr. Cogswell of Salem.

Bills Enacted, and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To provide for the laying-out of public parks in the city of Newton;

Authorizing the Fitchburg Railroad Company and the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company to change their location in the town of Belmont; and

To empower the Baptist Religious Society in Haverhill to convey its real estate free of trusts;

(Which severally originated in the House);

To incorporate the Gloucester Water-Supply Company; and

Concerning mutual fire-insurance companies, and establishing a standard form for fire-insurance policies;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of John Donnelly (which originated in the House) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

*Reports of Committees.*Boston—
constables.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to the appointment

of constables for certain municipal courts in the city of Boston ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

By Mr. Shores of Lee, from the committee on Agriculture, that the Bill (recommitted) to protect and preserve domestic fowls and other animals ought to pass in a new draft with the title, "Bill for the destruction of certain noxious animals." Fowls, etc.

By Mr. Lyon of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, on a Bill (on leave) to regulate the practice of pharmacy in this Commonwealth, a Bill to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of apothecaries. Apothecaries.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on the report of the auditor of accounts, a Bill for refunding a portion of the debt of the Commonwealth. Refunding the State debt.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Coney of Springfield, from the committee on Federal Relations, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Yorktown centennial celebration, a Resolve relative to the centennial celebration at Yorktown. Yorktown.
Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, the Bill concerning the election of aldermen in the city of Boston was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and was, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, recommitted to the committee on Election Laws. Boston aldermen.

On motion of Mr. Rand of Medford, the Bill to require the city of Boston to abate a nuisance caused by it in Mystic Lower Pond, for protecting the purity of the waters of said pond, and for the preservation of the public health, especially in the towns of Medford and Arlington, was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and was, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day. Mystic Lower Pond.

On motion of Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, the report of the committee on the Consolidation and Arrangement of the General Statutes, made March 25, was discharged from the orders of the day. After debate the report was Revision of the Statutes.

accepted, and the order recommended was adopted by a vote of 92 to 34, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The Resolve providing for reimbursement of State aid to the cities of Holyoke and Newton, and the towns of Andover, Tisbury, and Pepperell; and the

Bill relative to reports of trustees and receivers of savings banks and institutions for savings;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend chapter 168 of the Acts of the year 1861, relating to the inspection of gas-meters, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill to secure to women the right to hold city and town offices, and to vote for city and town officers, upon all municipal affairs and town and city business, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Bugbee of Boston moved to amend by substituting a "Bill to secure to women the right to vote for city and town officers upon payment of a tax on real or personal property owned by them." Mr. Wells of Cambridge moved certain amendments to the proposed substitute, which were adopted, and after debate the motion to amend by substituting the bill was lost. Mr. Wells of Cambridge also moved certain amendments to the original bill, which were adopted, and, on the main question of ordering the bill to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Andrew of Boston; and, the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 76 yeas to 122 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, Frank D.

Almy, James F.

Avery, Winslow W.

Bail, George W.

Bailey, Thomas F.

Baker, Thomas J.

Bidwell, Marshall S.

Bixby, Nelson H.

Brackett, John Q. A.

Brown, Charles F.

Brown, Edward P.

Brown, William B.

Budington, Jonathan.

Messrs. Burr, Edwin S.

Butler, John Haskell.

Carleton, George H.

Chamberlain, Geo. D.

Cleveland, Tristram.

Coffin, Amos.

Corey, Charles A.

Crandall, George N.

Davenport, James F.

Davis, Person.

Donovan, Daniel.

Dorman, Asahel H.

Eager, Edward R.

Messrs. Evans, James M.

Farrar, Job P.
 Fernald, B. Marvin.
 Floyd, Thomas.
 Fowler, Charles B.
 French, Hartwell S.
 Gargan, Frank.
 Gifford, James E.
 Gilbert, Lucien M.
 Gill, Charles L.
 Goodwin, John.
 Goulding, Robert.
 Hatch, Silas B.
 Higginson, Thomas W.
 Howland, Charles W.
 Hughes, Atkins.
 Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
 Johnson, William.
 Jones, Thomas B.
 Kelley, Watson B.
 Lincoln, Clark.
 Livermore, George B.
 McFarlin, Peleg.
 Merritt, Christopher C.
 Miller, J. Hervey.

Messrs. Milliken, Eben C.

Noyes, Increase E.
 Parmenter, Charles O.
 Parratt, George A.
 Peck, Chauncey E.
 Phillips, Henry M.
 Poor, Edward P.
 Rand, John C.
 Russell, William W.
 Sawin, Otis D.
 Scott, Thomas.
 Searles, George F.
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Shepard, George A.
 Sheppard, Joel F.
 Snow, William O.
 Stowe, Edmund M.
 Strong, Sidney.
 Swift, Charles F.
 Taylor, Levi.
 Vinal, Quincy A.
 Vining, David T.
 Wells, Henry J.
 White, James.
 Wilson, Arthur H.

NAYS.**Messrs. Albee, Sumner.**

Ames, Edwin.
 Andrew, John F.
 Atwood, Newell S.
 Ayer, Thomas P.
 Barton, Leonard.
 Beckford, Ebenezer.
 Bosworth, Edwin R.
 Bowerman, Samuel W.
 Brown, Leonard.
 Bryant, George T.
 Bugbee, James M.
 Bulloch, Andrew.
 Bumstead, Josiah.
 Burke, William J.
 Burpee, William H.
 Burr, Frank W.
 Burt, George L.
 Butler, Edward P.
 Canterbury, Nathan D.
 Carpenter, Edward C.
 Carroll, Lewis.

Messrs. Cawley, Edward.

Clark, William L.
 Clarke, Albert E.
 Cogswell, William.
 Colton, John W.
 Coney, Hubert M.
 Coolidge, Timothy A.
 Crowell, James A.
 Curtis, Hiram.
 Cushman, Solomon F.
 Dever, John F.
 Dickerman, John E.
 Dunham, Henry J.
 Eddy, Charles A.
 Edwards, James.
 Fay, George F.
 Fay, Thomas, jun.
 Fiske, George B.
 Foster, Enoch.
 Freeman, Jesse H.
 Fuller, Luther F.
 Gaskill, Leonard T.

Messrs. Gilman, Thomas K.	Messrs. Prouty, Isaac L.
Hale, Silas W.	Quirk, Dennis G.
Hartwell, Samuel C.	Reade, John.
Hemphill, Ashton E.	Reed, Charles A.
Hill, Hamilton A.	Richardson, Nath'l, jun.
Hoar, Samuel.	Richardson, Solon O.
Hooper, Arthur.	Root, Thomas P.
Howard, Robert.	Sanborn, John H.
Jewett, Albert G.	Sawyer, Henry O.
Joyce, John.	Shepard, Harvey N.
Kendall, Ira Y.	Shores, Norman W.
Lamb, Abraham J.	Smith, Remember.
Learnard, George E.	Sprague, Henry H.
Lodge, Henry C.	Stanton, John.
Love, John J.	Steele, Isaac A. S.
Lyon, Henry.	Stevens, Ezra A.
Mahoney, Patrick F.	Stevens, J. Tyler.
Mansfield, Andrew.	Stickney, Joseph W.
Marble, John W.	Sullivan, John C.
Marshall, Asaph R.	Tapley, Gilbert A.
McCullough, Thomas.	Tappan, William H.
McDonald, Patrick F.	Thayer, S. Proctor.
McGahey, Alexander B.	Thompson, Joseph W.
McGeough, James A.	Tinkham, Benjamin C.
McSorley, John.	Valpey, Samuel B.
Mellen, James H.	Wales, Jonathan.
Moriarty, Eugene M.	Walker, Samuel.
Morse, George W.	Wardwell, Henry.
Mullane, Jeremiah H.	Warren, Nathan.
Murphy, Timothy A.	Webster, Edwin R.
Newell, Richard.	Webster, John G.
Nichols, Joseph J.	White, Lloyd E.
O'Donnell, John.	Whitney, Giles H.
O'Neil, Joseph H.	Whitney, Levi L.
Packard, Davis S.	Wilcox, Charles W.
Plunkett, Francis.	Willcutt, Levi L.
Porter, Burrill, jun.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.
Porter, Charles H.	Wood, Owen.
Porter, Vaniah M.	Wright, John H.

Yeas, 76 ; nays, 122.

On this question, Messrs. Baker of Beverly, Gifford of Salem, Collamore of Pembroke, Stover of Boston, Clapp of Boston, and Hamlin of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Tufts of Boston, Jefferson of Worcester, Walker of Worcester, Fifield of Salisbury, Allen of Lowell, and Metcalf of Springfield. Notice of the rejection was sent to the Senate.

The Resolution concerning the seat now held by Owen Wood, as member for the Thirtieth Middlesex Representative District, was considered, and, after extended debate, was rejected.

At twenty minutes before six o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 30, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Wright of Holyoke, a Resolve relative to a station on the Connecticut-River Railroad in the city of Holyoke. Read, and considered under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Railroad station at Holyoke.

Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To establish the city of Malden ;

To supply the town of Weymouth with pure water ; and

To change the name of the Second Universalist Society in the town of Western ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To authorize the purchasers of the franchises and property of the Framingham and Lowell Railroad Company to organize a new corporation (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves passed.

In favor of the town of Rowe ;

In favor of the town of Florida ; and

In favor of the State Workhouse at Bridgewater ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill to supply the town of Framingham with pure water, reported on a petition, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Framingham water-supply.

Lobsters.

The House Bill providing for the preservation of lobsters came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence by the Senate, with an amendment, inserting the words stricken by the House from the bill as originally reported by the committee on the Fisheries. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring in the Senate amendment.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following House bills had been rejected by that branch : —

Damages by dogs.

Concerning actions for damages done by dogs to sheep, lambs, and other domestic animals ; and

Fire-insurance districts.

To establish fire-insurance districts.

Reports of Committees.

Disfranchisement of soldiers and sailors becoming paupers.

By Mr. Clarke of New Bedford, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, on an order, a Resolve concerning an amendment to the Constitution to prevent the disfranchisement of certain soldiers and sailors becoming paupers. Read, and ordered to a second reading.

State primary school.

By Mr. McSorley of Cambridge, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the annual report of the State Primary and Reform Schools, and an order, a Resolve in favor of the State Primary School at Monson. Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

Charles-River Embankment Company.

On motion of Mr. Brackett of Boston, the Bill to incorporate the Charles-River Embankment Company was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Damages for injuries on highways.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, the Bill to amend the law in relation to the repair of highways, and remedies for injuries sustained thereon, was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and was, pending the question on engrossment, postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Expenditures by school committees.

On motion of Mr. Shepard of Boston, the Bill relative to certain expenditures of the school committees of the

various cities of the Commonwealth was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until next Wednesday, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Forbes of Westborough, the order relative to asking the opinion of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, concerning certain questions in regard to the Bill concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, was, after debate, by a vote of 74 to 51, taken from the table. Mr. Andrew of Boston moved that the order be placed second in the orders of the day, which motion was, after long debate, adopted, pending certain amendments moved to the order by Mr. Wells of Cambridge.

Supreme Court
on proposed
liquor law.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors was further considered. Mr. Brown of Boston moved certain amendments as printed in House Doc. No. 294. Pending the consideration of these amendments, and those reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and pending the question on engrossment of the bill, the House,

Orders of the
day.

At fifteen minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 31, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Baker of Beverly, petition of Sidney Bartlett and others, real-estate owners in Beverly, in aid of the petition of said town for independent water-works. Referred to the committee on Public Health. Sent up for concurrence.

Beverly water-
works.

By Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, petition of David P. Lawrence and others of Westford in favor of the Bill to regulate fares on railroads. Placed on file.

Railroad fares.

Papers from the Senate.

Salem.

Ordered, In concurrence, that so much of the petition of the city of Salem, filed with the Secretary of State, praying for power to acquire flats, water rights, and franchises, and for the repeal of so much of chapter 154 of the Acts of the year 1879 as relates to the taking of flats, water rights, and franchises, be recommitted to the committee on Public Health.

Ayer Water Company.

The Bill to incorporate the Ayer Water Company, passed to be engrossed in concurrence by the House, with an amendment, and sent up for concurrence, came down with the indorsement thereon that the Senate non-concurred. On motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, the House insisted on its amendment, and asked for a committee of conference; and Messrs. Hoar of Concord, Lodge of Nahant, and Hayden of Woburn were appointed on the part of the House. Sent up for concurrence.

Salem Normal School.

A Resolve in favor of the Salem Normal School, reported, in part, on the report of the Board of Education, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

Women voting on school committees.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, the Bill giving women the right to vote for members of school committees, and on other matters pertaining to public schools, was discharged from the orders of the day. On further motion of the same gentleman, the House concurred with the Senate in its amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Firemen, janitor, and watchman.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Expenditures, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the expediency of increasing the compensation of the firemen at the State House, and of the janitor and watchman at 33 Pemberton Square, and recommending its reference to the committee on the State House. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Diseased and disabled animals.

By Mr. Shores of Lee, from the committee on Agriculture, that the Bill (recommitted) in relation to diseased and disabled animals ought to pass in a new draft with the title, "Bill relative to abandoned animals."

By Mr. Fernald of Melrose, from the committee on Taxation, on an order, on a petition and so much of the Governor's address as relates to taxation, a Bill relieving property from double taxation in certain cases. Double taxation.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

Relative to extra clerical assistance in the office of the deputy tax commissioner and commissioner of corporations;

Concerning the expenses of the examination and commitment of insane persons;

To provide for an engineer at the State Prison at Concord;

Concerning the transfer of insane persons from private asylums; and

To amend "An Act relating to boards of health in the several cities of the Commonwealth;"

(Which severally originated in the House);

To provide for the assistance of discharged female convicts;

To amend chapter 168 of the Acts of the year 1861, relating to the inspection of gas-meters;

Relating to the jurisdiction of municipal, district, and police courts in cases of assault and battery; and

Concerning returns of registers of probate and insolvency, registers of deeds, and commissioners of insolvency;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves:

Resolves passed.

Providing for certain expenses connected with the removal of the State Normal Art School;

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary;

In favor of the trustees of the State Lunatic-Hospital at Danvers;

Relative to industrial conciliation and arbitration;

Relating to the war records in the department of the adjutant-general; and

In relation to the limitation of the number of passengers in street-railway cars;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

Bills:

Relating to registers of probate and insolvency in the several counties;

For refunding a portion of the debt of the Commonwealth; and

To repeal a portion of chapter 218 of the Acts of the year 1860, entitled "An Act making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes;"

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

In relation to the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company; and

Relative to reports of trustees and receivers of savings banks and institutions for savings;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill concerning the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors was further considered.

On motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, it was voted that debate be closed at three o'clock P.M., unless a vote should be sooner reached.

Mr. Brackett of Boston moved to amend the bill by striking out the last part of section 29, which allowed manufacturers of cider to sell or keep the same for sale, not to be drunk on the premises.

The hour for closing debate having arrived, Mr. Brackett called for the yeas and nays on his amendment, which were ordered; and, the roll being called, the amendment was rejected by a vote of 90 yeas to 109 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Andrew, John F.
Atwood, Newell S.
Ayer, Thomas P.
Baker, Thomas J.
Bixby, Nelson H.
Bowerman, Samuel W.
Brackett, John Q. A.
Bradford, Martin L.
Brown, Edward P.
Brown, Leonard.
Brown, William B.
Bryant, George T.

Messrs. Bulloch, Andrew.
Bumstead, Josiah.
Burke, William J.
Burpee, William H.
Burr, Frank W.
Burt, George L.
Butler, Edward P.
Butler, John Haskell.
Cannon, Peter.
Carleton, George H.
Carpenter, Edward C.
Carroll, Lewis.

Messrs. Cawley, Edward.
 Cogswell, William.
 Colton, John W.
 Coney, Hubert M.
 Davis, Person.
 Dever, John F.
 Donovan, Daniel.
 Dunham, Henry J.
 Fay, George F.
 Fay, Thomas, jun.
 French, Hartwell S.
 Galvin, Owen A.
 Gargan, Frank.
 Gaskill, Leonard T.
 Goulding, Robert.
 Hartwell, Samuel C.
 Hemphill, Ashton E.
 Hoar, Samuel.
 Howard, Robert.
 Jefferson, Martin V. B.
 Joyce, John.
 Kelly, Francis B.
 Kelley, Watson B.
 Learnard, George E.
 Livermore, George B.
 Lodge, Henry C.
 Love, John J.
 McCullough, Thomas.
 McDonald, Patrick F.
 McGahey, Alexander B.
 McGeough, James A.
 McSorley, John.
 Mellen, James H.

Messrs. Merritt, Christopher C.
 Milliken, Eben C.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morse, George W.
 Nichols, Joseph J.
 O'Donnell, John.
 O'Neil, Joseph H.
 Packard, Davis S.
 Paddack, Henry.
 Phillips, Henry M.
 Plunkett, Francis.
 Quirk, Dennis G.
 Reade, John.
 Reed, Charles A.
 Rice, Frederick S.
 Scott, Thomas.
 Shores, Norman W.
 Sprague, Henry H.
 Stanton, John.
 Steele, Isaac A. S.
 Stevens, Edward G.
 Stevens, J. Tyler.
 Thomas, Edward I.
 Wales, Jonathan.
 Walker, Samuel.
 Wardwell, Henry.
 Warren, Nathan.
 Webster, Edwin R.
 Wells, Henry J.
 White, James.
 Willcutt, Levi L.
 Wood, Owen.
 Wright, John H.

NAYS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.
 Allen, Charles H.
 Allen, Frank D.
 Almy, James F.
 Ames, Edwin.
 Avery, Winslow W.
 Bailey, Thomas F.
 Baker, John I.
 Beckford, Ebenezer.
 Bidwell, Marshall S.
 Bosworth, Edwin R.
 Brown, Charles F.
 Budington, Jonathan.
 Bugbee, James M.

Messrs. Burr, Edwin S.
 Canterbury, Nathan D.
 Chamberlain, Geo. D.
 Clapp, Frank A.
 Clark, William L.
 Clarke, Albert E.
 Cleveland, Tristram.
 Coffin, Amos.
 Collamore, Francis.
 Coolidge, Timothy A.
 Corey, Charles A.
 Crandall, George N.
 Crowell, James A.
 Curtis, Hiram.

Messrs. Cushman, Solomon F.	Messrs. Marshall, Asaph R.
Davenport, James F.	Metcalf, Edwin D.
Dickerman, John E.	Miller, J. Hervey.
Dorman, Asahel H.	Parmenter, Charles O.
Eager, Edward R.	Parratt, George A.
Eddy, Charles A.	Peck, Chauncey E.
Edwards, James.	Porter, Charles H.
Evans, James M.	Porter, Vaniah M.
Farrar, Job P.	Rand, John C.
Fernald, B. Marvin.	Richardson, Nath'l, jun.
Fifield, Benjamin L.	Richardson, Solon O.
Fiske, George B.	Russell, William W.
Floyd, Thomas.	Sanborn, John H.
Forbes, William T.	Sawin, Otis D.
Foster, Enoch.	Sawyer, Henry O.
Fowler, Charles B.	Searles, George F.
Freeman, Jesse H.	Shaw, Edward P.
Fuller, Luther F.	Shepard, George A.
Gifford, Rufus B.	Shepard, Harvey N.
Gilbert, Lucien M.	Sheppard, Joel F.
Gill, Charles L.	Smith, Remember.
Gilman, Thomas K.	Snow, William O.
Hale, Silas W.	Stevens, Ezra A.
Hatch, Silas B.	Stickney, Joseph W.
Hayden, Edward D.	Stowe, Edmund M.
Higginson, Thomas W.	Strong, Sidney.
Hooper, Arthur.	Tapley, Gilbert A.
Howland, Charles W.	Tappan, William H.
Hughes, Atkins.	Taylor, Levi.
Jacobs, Joseph, jun.	Thayer, S. Proctor.
Jewett, Albert G.	Tinkham, Benjamin C.
Johnson, William.	Vinal, Quincy A.
Jones, Thomas B.	Vining, David T.
Keith, Albert.	Webster, John G.
Kendall, Ira Y.	White, Lloyd E.
Lincoln, Clark.	Whitney, Giles H.
Look, Dwight B.	Whitney, Levi L.
Lyon, Henry.	Wilcox, Charles W.
Mahoney, Patrick F.	Wilson, Arthur H.
Mansfield, Andrew.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.
Marble, John W.	

Yeas, 90 ; nays, 109.

On this question Messrs. Cronin, Hamlin, and Murphy, of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. McFarlin of Carver, Sullivan of Middleborough, and Root of Barre.

On the request of Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, the question of amending the bill as moved by Mr. Brown of Boston, by striking out sections 68, 69, 70, and 71, and inserting new sections in place thereof, as printed in House Document No. 294, was divided, and was first put on striking out section 68 of the bill, and inserting a new section in place thereof. The amendment was lost by a vote of 80 to 95.

The question was next put on striking out section 69, and inserting a new section in place thereof, and the amendment was lost.

On the question of striking out section 70, and inserting a new section in place thereof, which was lost by a vote of 83 to 99, Mr. Hoar of Concord asked for a verification of the vote by the yeas and nays, which were ordered; and, the roll being called, the amendment was rejected by a vote of 75 yeas to 120 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Andrew, John F.
Ayer, Thomas P.
Bixby, Nelson H.
Bosworth, Edwin R.
Brackett, John Q. A.
Bradford, Martin L.
Brown, Edward P.
Brown, Leonard.
Brown, William B.
Bryant, George T.
Bulloch, Andrew.
Bumstead, Josiah.
Burke, William J.
Burr, Frank W.
Burt, George L.
Butler, Edward P.
Butler, John Haskell.
Cannon, Peter.
Carpenter, Edward C.
Carroll, Lewis.
Cawley, Edward.
Dever, John F.
Dunham, Henry J.
Eddy, Charles A.
Fay, George F.
Fay, Thomas, jun.
French, Hartwell S.
Galvin, Owen A.
Gargan, Frank.

Messrs. Gaskill, Leonard T.
Goulding, Robert.
Hemphill, Ashton E.
Hoar, Samuel.
Howard, Robert.
Jefferson, Martin V. B.
Jenks, Henry R.
Joyce, John.
Kelly, Francis B.
Livermore, George B.
Love, John J.
McCullough, Thomas.
McGeough, James A.
McSorley, John.
Mellen, James H.
Metcalf, Edwin D.
Milliken, Eben C.
Moriarty, Eugene M.
Morse, George W.
O'Donnell, John.
Packard, Davis S.
Paddack, Henry.
Parmenter, Charles O.
Plunkett, Francis.
Porter, Charles H.
Quirk, Dennis G.
Reade, John.
Rice, Frederick S.
Russell, William W.

Messrs. Shaw, Edward P.	Messrs. Walker, Samuel.
Shepard, George A.	Warren, Nathan.
Shores, Norman W.	Webster, Edwin R.
Stanton, John.	Wells, Henry J.
Stevens, Edward G.	White, James.
Stevens, J. Tyler.	Willcutt, Levi L.
Strong, Sidney.	Wood, Owen.
Tinkham, Benjamin C.	Wright, John H.
Vining, David T.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.	Messrs. Donovan, Daniel.
Allen, Charles H.	Dorman, Asahel H.
Allen, Frank D.	Eager, Edward R.
Almy, James F.	Edwards, James.
Ames, Edwin.	Evans, James M.
Atwood, Newell S.	Farrar, Job P.
Avery, Winslow W.	Fernald, B. Marvin.
Bailey, Thomas F.	Fifield, Benjamin L.
Baker, John I.	Fiske, George B.
Baker, Thomas J.	Floyd, Thomas.
Beckford, Ebenezer.	Forbes, William T.
Bidwell, Marshall S.	Foster, Enoch.
Bowerman, Samuel W.	Fowler, Charles B.
Brown, Charles F.	Freeman, Jesse H.
Budington, Jonathan.	Fuller, Luther F.
Bugbee, James M.	Gifford, Rufus B.
Burpee, William H.	Gilbert, Lucien M.
Burr, Edwin S.	Gill, Charles L.
Canterbury, Nathan D.	Gilman, Thomas K.
Carleton, George H.	Hale, Silas W.
Chamberlain, George D.	Hatch, Silas B.
Clapp, Frank A.	Higginson, Thomas W.
Clark, William L.	Hooper, Arthur.
Clarke, Albert E.	Howland, Charles W.
Cleveland, Tristram.	Hughes, Atkins.
Coffin, Amos.	Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
Cogswell, William.	Johnson, William.
Collamore, Francis.	Jones, Thomas B.
Colton, John W.	Keith, Albert.
Coney, Hubert M.	Kelley, Watson B.
Coolidge, Timothy A.	Kendall, Ira Y.
Corey, Charles A.	Learnard, George E.
Crandall, George N.	Lincoln, Clark.
Crowell, James A.	Lodge, Henry C.
Curtis, Hiram.	Look, Dwight B.
Cushman, Solomon F.	Mahoney, Patrick F.
Davenport, James F.	Mansfield, Andrew.
Davis, Person.	Marble, John W.
Dickerman, John E.	Marshall, Asaph R.

Messrs. McDonald, Patrick F.	Messrs. Smith, Remember.
McFarlin, Peleg.	Snow, William O.
McGahey, Alexander B.	Sprague, Henry H.
Merritt, Christopher C.	Steele, Isaac A. S.
Miller, J. Hervey.	Stevens, Ezra A.
Nichols, Joseph J.	Stickney, Joseph W.
O'Neil, Joseph H.	Stowe, Edmund M.
Parratt, George A.	Tapley, Gilbert A.
Peck, Chauncey E.	Tappan, William H.
Porter, Vaniah M.	Taylor, Levi.
Prouty, Isaac L.	Thayer, S. Proctor.
Rand, John C.	Thomas, Edward I.
Richardson, Nathaniel, jun.	Vinal, Quincy A.
Richardson, Solon O.	Wales, Jonathan.
Sanborn, John H.	Wardwell, Henry.
Sawin, Otis D.	White, Lloyd E.
Sawyer, Henry O.	Whitney, Giles H.
Scott, Thomas.	Whitney, Levi L.
Searles, George F.	Wilcox, Charles W.
Shepard, Harvey N.	Wilson, Arthur H.
Sheppard, Joel F.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.

Yeas, 75 ; nays, 120.

On this question Mr. Hill of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, was paired with Mr. Bail of Boston.

On request of Mr. Brackett of Boston, the question on striking out section 71, and inserting a new section in place thereof, was divided, and the question was first put on striking out said section, which was negatived. Mr. Brown then moved to insert his proposed new section as a further amendment ; but it was ruled out of order, it being too late to offer an amendment after the time for taking the vote had arrived.

The question was then put upon the amendments proposed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, as printed in House Document No. 297, the Speaker stating, that, unless objection were made, he would put the question on striking out sections 68, 69, 70, and 71, instead of on substituting a bill, which was the form of the report.

On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, on request of Mr. Forbes of Westborough, and, the roll being called, the sections were stricken out by a vote of 96 yeas to 93 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Andrew, John F.	Messrs. Lodge, Henry C.
Atwood, Newell S.	Love, John J.
Ayer, Thomas P.	Lyon, Henry.
Bixby, Nelson H.	Marble, John W.
Bosworth, Edwin R.	McCullough, Thomas.
Bowerman, Samuel W.	McGahey, Alexander B.
Brackett, John Q. A.	McGeough, James A.
Bradford, Martin L.	Mellen, James H.
Brown, Edward P.	Merritt, Christopher C.
Brown, Leonard.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Brown, William B.	Morse, George W.
Bryant, George T.	Nichols, Joseph J.
Bugbee, James M.	O'Donnell, John.
Bulloch, Andrew.	Packard, Davis S.
Bumstead, Josiah.	Paddack, Henry.
Burke, William J.	Peck, Chauncey E.
Burr, Frank W.	Plunkett, Francis.
Burt, George L.	Prouty, Isaac L.
Butler, John Haskell.	Quirk, Dennis G.
Cannon, Peter.	Reade, John.
Carpenter, Edward C.	Rice, Frederick S.
Carroll, Lewis.	Russell, William W.
Cawley, Edward.	Shaw, Edward P.
Clarke, Albert E.	Shepard, George A.
Cogswell, William.	Shepard, Harvey N.
Colton, John W.	Sheppard, Joel F.
Coney, Hubert M.	Shores, Norman W.
Crowell, James A.	Sprague, Henry H.
Dever, John F.	Stanton, John.
Donovan, Daniel.	Steele, Isaac A. S.
Dunham, Henry J.	Stevens, Edward G.
Fay, George F.	Stevens, J. Tyler.
Fay, Thomas, jun.	Strong, Sidney.
French, Hartwell S.	Thayer, S. Proctor.
Galvin, Owen A.	Thomas, Edward I.
Gargan, Frank.	Tufts, Arthur W.
Gaskill, Leonard T.	Vinal, Quincy A.
Goulding, Robert.	Vining, David T.
Hayden, Edward D.	Wales, Jonathan.
Hemphill, Ashton E.	Walker, Samuel.
Higginson, Thomas W.	Wardwell, Henry.
Hoar, Samuel.	Warren, Nathan.
Howard, Robert.	Webster, Edwin R.
Jefferson, Martin V. B.	Wells, Henry J.
Jewett, Albert G.	White, James.
Joyce, John.	Willcutt, Levi L.
Kelly, Francis B.	Wood, Owen.
Livermore, George B.	Wright, John H.

NAYS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.
 Allen, Charles H.
 Allen, Frank D.
 Almy, James F.
 Ames, Edwin.
 Avery, Winslow W.
 Baker, John I.
 Baker, Thomas J.
 Beckford, Ebenezer.
 Bidwell, Marshall S.
 Brown, Charles F.
 Budington, Jonathan.
 Burr, Edwin S.
 Canterbury, Nathan D.
 Carleton, George H.
 Chamberlain, George D.
 Clapp, Frank A.
 Clark, William L.
 Cleveland, Tristram.
 Coffin, Amos.
 Collamore, Francis.
 Coolidge, Timothy A.
 Corey, Charles A.
 Crandall, George N.
 Curtis, Hiram.
 Cushman, Solomon F.
 Davenport, James F.
 Davis, Person.
 Dickerman, John E.
 Dorman, Asahel H.
 Eager, Edward R.
 Eddy, Charles A.
 Edwards, James.
 Evans, James M.
 Farrar, Job P.
 Fernald, B. Marvin.
 Fifield, Benjamin L.
 Fiske, George B.
 Floyd, Thomas.
 Forbes, William T.
 Foster, Enoch.
 Fowler, Charles B.
 Freeman, Jesse H.
 Fuller, Luther F.
 Gifford, Rufus B.
 Gilbert, Lucien M.
 Gill, Charles L.

Messrs. Gilman, Thomas K.
 Hale, Silas W.
 Hatch, Silas B.
 Hooper, Arthur.
 Howland, Charles W.
 Hughes, Atkins.
 Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
 Johnson, William.
 Jones, Thomas B.
 Keith, Albert.
 Kelley, Watson B.
 Learnard, George E.
 Lincoln, Clark.
 Look, Dwight B.
 Mansfield, Andrew.
 Marshall, Asaph R.
 Metcalf, Edwin D.
 Miller, J. Hervey.
 Milliken, Eben C.
 Parmenter, Charles O.
 Parratt, George A.
 Porter, Charles H.
 Porter, Vaniah M.
 Rand, John C.
 Richardson, Nat'l, jun.
 Richardson, Solon O.
 Root, Thomas P.
 Sanborn, John H.
 Sawin, Otis D.
 Sawyer, Henry O.
 Scott, Thomas.
 Searles, George F.
 Smith, Remember.
 Snow, William O.
 Stevens, Ezra A.
 Stickney, Joseph W.
 Stowe, Edmund M.
 Tapley, Gilbert A.
 Tappan, William H.
 Taylor, Levi.
 Webster, John G.
 White, Lloyd E.
 Whitney, Giles H.
 Whitney, Levi L.
 Wilcox, Charles W.
 Wilson, Arthur H.

Yeas, 96 ; nays, 93.

On this question Messrs. Hill of Boston, McSorley of Cambridge, O'Neil of Boston, Butler of Boston, Mahoney of Boston, Tufts of Fitchburg, Murphy of Boston, Lamb of Boston, Hamlin of Boston, McDonald of Boston, and Thompson of Medway, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Bail of Boston, Lawrence of Groton, Reed of Taunton, Valpey of Lynn, Bailey of Scituate, Burpee of Sterling, Kendall of Athol, Wonson of Gloucester, Sullivan of Middleborough, Slocum of Dartmouth, and Jenks of Franklin.

On the main question of passing the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, on the request of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, and, the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 73 yeas to 95 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.

Allen, Frank D.
 Almy, James F.
 Avery, Winslow W.
 Baker, John I.
 Beckford, Ebenezer.
 Bidwell, Marshall S.
 Brown, Charles F.
 Budington, Jonathan.
 Burr, Edwin S.
 Canterbury, Nathan D.
 Carleton, George H.
 Chamberlain, Geo. D.
 Clark, William L.
 Cleveland, Tristram.
 Coffin, Amos.
 Collamore, Francis.
 Coolidge, Timothy A.
 Corey, Charles A.
 Crandall, George N.
 Curtis, Hiram.
 Cushman, Solomon F.
 Davenport, James F.
 Davis, Person.
 Dickerman, John E.
 Dorman, Asahel H.
 Eager, Edward R.
 Edwards, James.
 Evans, James M.
 Farrar, Job P.
 Fernald, B. Marvin.

Messrs. Fifield, Benjamin L.

Fiske, George B.
 Floyd, Thomas.
 Forbes, William T.
 Foster, Enoch.
 Freeman, Jesse H.
 Fuller, Luther F.
 Gilbert, Lucien M.
 Gill, Charles L.
 Hatch, Silas B.
 Hooper, Arthur.
 Howland, Charles W.
 Hughes, Atkins.
 Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
 Johnson, William.
 Jones, Thomas B.
 Keith, Albert.
 Look, Dwight B.
 Marble, John W.
 Marshall, Asaph R.
 Metcalf, Edwin D.
 Miller, J. Hervey.
 Parmenter, Charles O.
 Parratt, George A.
 Porter, Vaniah M.
 Prouty, Isaac L.
 Rand, John C.
 Richardson, Nath'l, jun.
 Root, Thomas P.
 Sanborn, John H.
 Sawin, Otis D.

Messrs. Searles, George F.
 Sheppard, Joel F.
 Smith, Remember.
 Snow, William O.
 Stevens, Ezra A.
 Stickney, Joseph W.

Messrs. Stowe, Edmund M.
 Tapley, Gilbert A.
 Taylor, Levi.
 Webster, John G.
 Wilson, Arthur H.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, Charles H.
 Ames, Edwin.
 Andrew, John F.
 Atwood, Newell S.
 Ayer, Thomas P.
 Baker, Thomas J.
 Bixby, Nelson H.
 Bosworth, Edwin R.
 Bowerman, Samuel W.
 Brackett, John Q. A.
 Bradford, Martin L.
 Brown, Leonard.
 Brown, William B.
 Bugbee, James M.
 Bulloch, Andrew.
 Bumstead, Josiah.
 Burr, Frank W.
 Burt, George L.
 Butler, John Haskell.
 Cannon, Peter.
 Carpenter, Edward C.
 Carroll, Lewis.
 Cawley, Edward.
 Clarke, Albert E.
 Cogswell, William.
 Colton, John W.
 Dever, John F.
 Donovan, Daniel.
 Dunham, Henry J.
 Eddy, Charles A.
 Fay, George F.
 Fay, Thomas, jun.
 French, Hartwell S.
 Galvin, Owen A.
 Gargan, Frank.
 Gilman, Thomas K.
 Goulding, Robert.
 Hayden, Edward D.
 Hemphill, Ashton E.
 Higginson, Thomas W.
 Hoar, Samuel.

Messrs. Howard, Robert.
 Jefferson, Martin V. B.
 Jewett, Albert G.
 Joyce, John.
 Kelly, Francis B.
 Learnard, George E.
 Livermore, George B.
 Lodge, Henry C.
 Love, John J.
 Lyon, Henry.
 McCullough, Thomas.
 McGahey, Alexander B.
 McGeough, James A.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Christopher C.
 Milliken, Eben C.
 Morse, George W.
 Nichols, Joseph J.
 O'Donnell, John.
 O'Neil, Joseph H.
 Packard, Davis S.
 Paddack, Henry.
 Peck, Chauncey E.
 Plunkett, Francis.
 Quirk, Dennis G.
 Reade, John.
 Rice, Frederick S.
 Richardson, Solon O.
 Russell, William W.
 Scott, Thomas.
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Shepard, George A.
 Shepard, Harvey N.
 Shores, Norman W.
 Sprague, Henry H.
 Stanton, John.
 Steele, Isaac A. S.
 Stevens, Edward G.
 Stevens, J. Tyler.
 Tappan, William H.
 Thayer, S. Proctor.

Messrs. Thomas, Edward I.	Messrs. Webster, Edwin R.
Tufts, Arthur W.	Wells, Henry J.
Vinal, Quincy A.	White, James.
Vining, David T.	White, Lloyd E.
Walker, Samuel.	Wood, Owen.
Wardwell, Henry.	Wright, John H.
Warren, Nathan.	

Yeas, 73 ; nays, 95.

On this question Messrs. Fowler of Salem, Gifford of Salem, Wonson of Gloucester, Jenks of Franklin, Kendall of Athol, Wilcox of Milford, Sullivan of Middleborough, Sawyer of West Boylston, Bailey of Scituate, Crowell of New Bedford, Burpee of Sterling, Valpey of Lynn, Slocum of Dartmouth, Gifford of Falmouth, Clapp of Boston, Lincoln of Barnstable, Tinkham of Boston, Whitney of Millbury, Lawrence of Groton, Bail of Boston, Hale of Milford, and Porter of Quincy, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Goodwin of Chicopee, Phillips of Springfield, Lamb of Boston, Thompson of Medway, Murphy of Boston, Coney of Springfield, Hamlin of Boston, Bryant of Russell, Mahoney of Boston, Strong of Northampton, Tufts of Fitchburg, Butler of Boston, McDonald of Boston, Gaskill of Blackstone, Stover of Boston, Brown of Boston, Moriarty of Worcester, Willcutt of Boston, McSorley of Cambridge, Hill of Boston, Burke of Boston, and Wales of Randolph. Notice of the rejection of the bill was sent to the Senate.

The order relative to asking the opinion of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court on certain questions concerning the bill last named was indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. Forbes of Westborough.

At ten minutes before five o'clock adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 1, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

Joseph M. Day. *Ordered*, In concurrence, that the joint special committee appointed to hear the petitioners for the removal of

Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of the court of probate and insolvency in the county of Barnstable be authorized to report in print the arguments of counsel at the hearing.

The report of the commissioners appointed under chapter 46 of the Resolves of the year 1880, on the revision of the Statutes, was referred in concurrence to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Statutes.

Revision of the Statutes.

The Bill to incorporate the town of Wellesley came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Wellesley.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House "Bill authorizing reimbursement for reasonable expenditures, by counsel assigned to the defence of persons accused of capital crimes," had been rejected by that branch.

Counsel assigned in capital cases.

Reports:

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the laws relative to burial certificates and return of deaths, and also an order relative to burial permits; and

Burial certificates.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the "Ladies' Deposit Bank;"

Ladies' Deposit Bank.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Stevens of Malden, from the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to the salaries of the adjutant-general and employes in the military department; and

Adjutant-general's salary.

On orders (taken from the files of last year) relative to increasing the salaries of the judges of the superior court.

Salaries of superior court.

By Mr. Merritt of Springfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to increasing the salary of the commissioner on State aid; and

Commissioner on State aid.

On an order relative to amending the Act establishing the salary of the clerk of the railroad commissioners, and limiting the salary of their accountant.

Clerk of railroad commissioners.

Clerks in secretary's department.

By Mr. Davenport of Fall River, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relating to the salary of the first clerk and deputy-clerk in the secretary's department.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Clerk of East Boston municipal court.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the same committee, on so much of the order relative to salaries of constables and clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston as relates to clerks, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the East Boston district in the city of Boston.

Salaries in secretary's department.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, each on an order, bills:

To amend "An Act relating to the salaries and compensation of the persons employed in the secretary's department;" and

Salaries of auditor and secretary.

To establish the salaries of the auditor of accounts and the secretary of the Commonwealth (Messrs. Stevens of Malden, Foster of Tewksbury, and Tufts of Boston, dissenting).

Salaries of standing justices in Worcester County.

By Mr. Hayden of Woburn, from the same committee, on several petitions and an order, a Bill to establish the salaries of certain standing justices of the district courts in the county of Worcester.

Clerk of police court of Lynn.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court in the city of Lynn.

By Mr. Prouty of Spencer, from the same committee, each on an order, bills:

Auditor's extra clerks.

Establishing the salaries of the extra clerks in the auditor's department; and

Clerk of Board of Agriculture.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the secretary of the Board of Agriculture.

Clerk first district court of Plymouth.

By Mr. J. G. Webster of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the first district court of Plymouth County.

Justice of Charlestown district court.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of the standing justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district in the city of Boston.

Treasurer, Plymouth County.

By Mr. Foster of Tewksbury, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the treasurer of Plymouth County.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on

an order, a Bill to establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court in the city of Newton.

Police court of Newton.

By the same gentleman, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for other purposes.

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, from the committee on Expenditures, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district in the city of Boston.

Roxbury district court.

By Mr. Davenport of Fall River, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the standing justice of the police court in Lee.

Police court of Lee.

By Mr. Stevens of Malden, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the first district court of Bristol County.

Clerk, first district court of Bristol.

By Mr. Poor of Lawrence, from the committee on Taxation, on a bill introduced on leave in the Senate, and three orders, a Bill relating to the taxation of deposits in savings banks (Messrs. Fessenden of the Senate and Burr of the House, dissenting).

Savings-bank deposits.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, the Bill to provide better means of egress from factories, schoolhouses, and other establishments, was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston, and pending the question on engrossment, and pending certain amendments moved by Mr. Hartwell of Southbridge, it was, on motion of Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, postponed for further consideration until Monday.

Egress from buildings.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, the Bill to incorporate the Lexington Water Company was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and pending the question on engrossment, and pending amendments moved by Mr. Wilson, further consideration of the matter was postponed until Monday, on motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord.

Lexington Water Company.

On motion of Mr. Hartwell of Southbridge, the report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation to prevent the pollution of natural streams and water-courses by sewage or other substances, was discharged from the orders of the day, and laid on the table.

Pollution of Streams.

*Taken from the Table.***Club buildings.**

On motion of Mr. Look of Leominster, the Bill to prevent the use of certain buildings, by clubs and other associations, for selling or dispensing intoxicating liquors without a license therefor, was taken from the table, and, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until next Wednesday, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Applications for licenses.

On motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston, the Bill relative to advertising applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors, and restricting the granting of such licenses, was taken from the table, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

*Orders of the Day.***Orders of the day.**

The report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law that no elevated railroad shall be constructed under the provisions of the general railroad act, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill for the destruction of certain noxious animals was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

For refunding a portion of the debt of the Commonwealth; and

To repeal a portion of chapter 213 of the Acts of the year 1860, entitled "An Act making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes;"

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to require the city of Boston to abate a nuisance caused by it in Mystic Lower Pond, for protecting the purity of the waters of said pond, and for the preservation of the public health, especially in the towns of Medford and Arlington, was further considered. Pending the consideration of amendments moved by Messrs. Lyon of Boston and Hayden of Woburn, and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House took a recess under the rule.

On re-assembling at two o'clock, after the recess, no

quorum was present. At eight minutes past two o'clock Mr. Hoar of Concord moved that the House adjourn, which motion prevailed. Mr. Wells of Cambridge asked that the vote be verified by a call of the yeas and nays; but the House refused to order the yeas and nays, only twenty-seven members voting therefor, and the Chair (Mr. Fiske of Holliston) declared the House adjourned until two o'clock on Monday.

MONDAY, April 4, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. M. M. Cutter of Medford.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Fowler of Salem, —

Ordered, That the sergeant-at-arms make suitable provision for a visit of the members of the House of Representatives to the Hoosac Tunnel on Thursday, April 7. Visit to Hoosac Tunnel.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the auditor be requested to furnish, in print, for the use of the House, a list of the salaries now paid to the several officers named in the reports of the committee on Expenditures, now in the orders of the day, with a parallel column of the salaries proposed in said reports. Official salaries.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To provide that certain persons having relatives supported at the expense of the State in certain public institutions shall not, for that reason, be deemed paupers;

To amend section 64 of chapter 136 of the General Statutes, relating to the partition of lands;

Relative to the right of women to vote for school committees;

In relation to the killing, without appraisal, of animals diseased with glanders or farcy; and

To authorize the construction of the Charles-river promenade;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Bills enacted.

Papers from the Senate.

Ocean Terminal
Railroad Dock
and Elevator
Company.

A Bill to incorporate the Ocean Terminal Railroad Dock and Elevator Company, introduced on leave in the Senate, was read, and referred in concurrence, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Common-
wealth's stock in
New-York and
New-England
Railroad.

A report of the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to the sale of the stock owned by the Commonwealth in the New-York and New-England Railroad (Messrs. Whiton of the Senate and Hayden of the House, dissenting), accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Taken from the Table.

Peabody water.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, the Bill to enable the town of Peabody to improve its water-works and increase its water-supply was taken from the table. The question being on ordering to a third reading, the bill was so ordered; and, on further motion of Mr. Wardwell, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

Reports of the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to increasing the salary of the commissioner on State aid;

On an order relative to amending the Act establishing the salary of the clerk of the railroad commissioners;

On an order relative to the salaries of the adjutant-general and employés in the military department; and

On an order relative to increasing the salaries of the judges of the superior court;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the "Ladies' Deposit Bank," was accepted in concurrence.

Bills:

Relating to the taxation of deposits in savings banks;
Making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for other purposes; and

In addition to "An Act to provide for the management

of the Hoosac Tunnel and the Troy and Greenfield Railroad ;" and

Resolves:

Concerning an amendment to the Constitution to prevent the disfranchisement of certain soldiers and sailors becoming paupers ; and

In favor of Adelaide E. Palmer ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in relation to the boundaries of cities and towns bordering upon the sea was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural and Horticultural Society was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to require the city of Boston to abate a nuisance caused by it in Mystic Lower Pond, for protecting the purity of the waters of said pond, and for the preservation of the public health, especially in the towns of Medford and Arlington, was further considered. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Lyon of Boston was rejected by a vote of 54 to 62. The amendment moved by Mr. Hayden of Woburn, to strike out section 4, was lost by a vote of 28 to 81, and the bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments to the "Bill to encourage physical exercises in public schools," and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

The Bill relative to military settlements was read a third time, and rejected.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation respecting the present system of letting out convict-labor, was further considered, and, pending its consideration, the House,

At five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 5, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

Mary E.
Titcomb.

By Mr. Newell of West Newbury, petition of Mary E. Titcomb for State aid. Referred, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

Suit against the
Boston and
Albany Rail-
road.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, a Resolve authorizing the attorney-general to discontinue a certain suit against the Boston and Albany Railroad Company on certain conditions. Read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in suspension of the rule.

Order.

Revision of the
Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Revision of the Statutes be instructed to require and report to whom, by whom, and by what authority, copies of the report of the commissioners on said revision have been distributed, and why said copies have not been distributed to members of the Legislature.

Papers from the Senate.

Prorogation.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a committee of three, on the part of the Senate, be appointed, with such as the House may join, to consider and report at what time the Legislature may be prorogued.

Messrs. Reed, Knowlton, and Van Nostrand were appointed on the part of the Senate; and the Speaker took time to appoint the members on the part of the House.

Union station at
Northampton.

The report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen and others of Northampton for an act requiring the establishment of a union station in said town, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Savings-bank
deposits.

A Bill in relation to investments and deposits which may be made by savings banks and institutions for savings (reported on a Senate order and three House orders dated respectively Jan. 11, Jan. 27, Feb. 1, and Feb. 2), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Insolvent
debtors.

A Bill relating to the discharge of insolvent debtors,

passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

A Bill relating to ordinances of the city of Boston, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Boston city ordinances.

The Bill to incorporate the Massachusetts Dairy Company came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule; and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly. Massachusetts Dairy Company.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To establish the city of Brockton;

Providing for the trial of actions against railroad corporations, common carriers, and towns, for loss of life by negligence; and

To incorporate the town of Wellesley;

(Which severally originated in the House);

In relation to the Massachusetts Central Railroad Company;

To enable the town of Peabody to improve its water-works, and increase its water-supply; and

To revise and consolidate the charter of the city of Chelsea;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Look of Leominster, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the sale of intoxicating liquors on premises containing billiard, sippio, or pool tables. Read, and accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence. Billiards, sippio, and pool.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (on leave) to prohibit the issue of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors on premises containing billiard, sippio, or pool tables, ought not to pass. Read, and considered under suspension of the rule; and the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate. Ibid.

By Mr. Hayden of Woburn, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from further considera- Yorktown.

tion of the Resolve relative to the centennial celebration at Yorktown, and recommending its recommitment to the committee on Federal Relations. Read and accepted.

District attorney's salaries.

By Mr. Stevens of Malden, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to establish the salaries of district attorneys ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Medical examiners.

On motion of Mr. Tufts of Boston, the Bill to amend "An Act to abolish the office of coroner, and to provide for medical examinations and inquests in cases of death by violence," was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was recommitment to the committee on Finance, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Green Harbor River.

On motion of Mr. Quirk of Boston, the Bill to repeal "An Act to authorize the construction of a bridge over Green Harbor River in Marshfield" was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation respecting the present system of letting out convict-labor, was further considered. Mr. Nichols of Lawrence moved to substitute for the report a "Bill concerning the letting-out of convict-labor by contract," which motion was lost by a vote of 26 to 103. The report was then accepted in concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Charles-River Embankment Company was further considered, and, after debate, was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence, an amendment moved by Mr. McGeough of Boston having been rejected.

The Bill to amend the law in relation to the repair of highways, and remedies for injuries sustained thereon, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Forbes of Westborough moved to amend by substituting therefor a bill with the same title, and printed as

House Document No. 195. The amendment was adopted by a vote of 106 to 15, and, after further debate, the bill as amended was then rejected.

The Bill relating to the taxation of ships and vessels engaged in foreign trade was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to prohibit the improper use of money or other consideration for election purposes was read a second time, and considered. Amendments moved by Messrs. Merritt of Springfield and Thayer of North Adams were rejected. Amendments moved by Mr. Brackett of Boston were adopted, and, after debate, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 60 to 62.

The Bill making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for other purposes, was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At five minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 6, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the legislative edition of nine hundred copies of the report of the commissioners on the revision of the Statutes be distributed as follows:—

Revision of the
Statutes.

Twenty-five copies to the executive department; one copy to each of the judges of the Supreme Judicial and Superior courts; one copy to each of the heads of departments, each member of the Legislature, to each of the clerks and assistant clerks, and to each of the reporters, and two copies, in addition, to each member of the committee upon the Revision of the Statutes; three copies to the attorney-general; five copies to the State Library; one copy to each of the public law libraries in the several counties; and the remainder, in the discretion of the clerks of the two branches, to such persons as they may deem proper, distributing the same as proportionately as possible throughout the several counties.

A Bill concerning Alewife Brook and certain sewers in Cambridge and Somerville, reported on petitions, passed

Alewife Brook.

to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Reports :

Bristol-county
commissioners.

Of the committee on Expenditures, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Franklin Gray, chairman of the county commissioners of Bristol County, for increase of salary of said commissioners; and

Clerks of court
in Hampshire
and Franklin.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to a change in the salaries of the clerks of the courts of the counties of Hampshire and Franklin;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for Friday.

Salary of
Bristol-county
commissioners.

Notice was received from the Senate that the Bill (on leave) to regulate the salaries of the county commissioners of Bristol County had been rejected by that branch.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the employment by railroad companies of persons affected with defective sight or color-blindness;

To encourage physical exercises in public schools;

To amend "An Act relating to the inspection of factories and public buildings;" and

To incorporate the Massachusetts Dairy Company;
(Which severally originated in the House);

In relation to the boundaries of cities and towns bordering upon the sea (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Solitary cells.

By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, from the committee on Prisons, on the report of the commissioners of prisons, in part, a Resolve providing for the construction of a block of solitary cells at the State Prison at Concord. Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Dog-shelter.

By Mr. E. R. Webster of Boston, from the committee on Agriculture, on an order, a Bill to authorize the establishment and maintenance of dog-shelter by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in the city of Boston. Read, and ordered to a second reading.

Notices of levies
of execution.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to the service of

notices in levies of executions upon real estate ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Friday for a second reading.

By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to the transfer of stock in corporations ought not to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Friday, the question being on its rejection.

Transfer of stock.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to amend chapter 250 of the Acts of the year 1877, in relation to the arrest and examination of judgment-debtors, ought not to pass for the reason that the substance thereof has been enacted by the present Legislature as part of another bill which originated in the House. Read, and considered under suspension of the rule; and the bill was rejected, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Judgment-debtors.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly, —

Ordered, That on and after Tuesday, April 12, the morning sessions of the House begin at ten o'clock.

Morning sessions.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Bixby of Adams, a Bill to authorize the sale of public buildings in Adams, and for other purposes. Read, and considered under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Public buildings in Adams.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Brown of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the Bill to prohibit the improper use of money or other consideration for election purposes, which motion was adopted, after debate, by a vote of 82 to 79. The question recurring on ordering the bill to a third reading, certain amendments moved by Messrs. Thayer of North Adams, Reed of Taunton, and McSorley of Cambridge, were adopted, and, after extended debate, the bill as amended was ordered to a third reading.

Use of money in elections.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Root of Barre, the Bill to determine the manner of electing trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the ques-

Agricultural College.

tion on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Mystic Lower
Pond.

On motion of Mr. Rand of Medford, the Bill to require the city of Boston to abate a nuisance caused by it in Mystic Lower Pond, for protecting the purity of the waters of said pond, and for the preservation of the public health, especially in the towns of Medford and Arlington, was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen and others of Northampton for an act requiring the establishment of a union station in said town, was accepted in concurrence.

The Bill relative to certain expenditures of the school committees of the various cities of the Commonwealth was further considered, the question being on engrossment. Mr. Shepard of Boston moved to substitute therefor a "Bill to prohibit the school committee of Boston from exceeding the appropriations made by the city council for the support of schools," which, after debate, was rejected by a vote of 48 to 70. Mr. O'Neil of Boston moved an amendment to the bill, which was adopted; and after debate the bill was rejected, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to prevent the use of certain buildings, by clubs and other associations, for selling or dispensing intoxicating liquors without a license therefor, was further considered. Mr. Look of Leominster moved to amend by inserting a new section instead of section 1. The amendment was carried, and after debate the bill as amended was ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Resolve relating to the printing of an additional number of copies of the commissioners' report of 1875, on taxation, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Finance, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

At five minutes past five o'clock adjourned until Friday.

FRIDAY, April 8, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Cogswell of Salem, was, at the request of Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, laid over until Monday:—

Evening sessions.

Ordered, That on and after Tuesday next, when this House adjourns its afternoon sessions, it be to meet at seven P.M. the same day.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill relative to reports of trustees and receivers of savings banks and institutions for savings (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Dever of Boston, the Bill in relation to the bridge of the Boston and Maine Railroad over the Merrimack River at Haverhill was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Boston and Maine bridge at Haverhill.

On motion of Mr. Peck of Wilbraham, the Bill to regulate the hours of labor of females and minors in manufacturing and mechanical establishments was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommit-
ted to the committee on Labor.

Ten-hour law.

On motion of Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, the Bill to regulate railroad fares was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until next Wednesday.

Railroad fares.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the Bill relating to the appointment of constables for certain municipal

Boston constables.

courts in the city of Boston was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Registers of
probate.

On motion of Mr. Wells of Cambridge, the Bill relating to registers of probate and insolvency in the several counties was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The Senate Bill relating to the appointment of police officers in cities was considered, and was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the business of leasing household furniture, was further considered. The pending motion of Mr. Almy of Salem, to amend by substituting a bill, as also the amendments to the proposed substitute moved by Mr. Morse of Newton, were withdrawn by those gentlemen, there being no objection by the House. Mr. Metcalf of Springfield moved to amend the report by substituting therefor a "Bill in relation to conditional sales of personal property," which motion prevailed; and the bill, having been read once, was placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Tuesday, March 15, rejected the Bill in relation to the foreclosure and redemption of mortgages, was, after debate, rejected by a vote of 52 to 67.

The Bill relative to the use of public halls or ward-rooms was read a second time, and, after debate, was refused a third reading by a vote of 17 to 75, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Bill in relation to elevators was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, and pending an amendment moved by Mr. Hartwell of Southbridge, it was, on motion of Mr. Peck of Wilbraham, recommitted to the committee on Labor.

The Resolve in favor of Charles P. Brooks was considered, and, after debate, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Finance, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The House concurred with the Senate in the amendment, inserting a new section, to be numbered section 3, in the Bill concerning costs under the trustee process, and non-concurred in the other Senate amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

The report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the support of insane paupers committed to lunatic-hospitals in connection with criminal proceedings against them, and an order relative to amending the law concerning the support of insane persons in lunatic-hospitals, was further considered. Mr. Coney of Springfield moved to substitute therefor a bill, which motion was lost, and after debate the report was accepted in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of B. F. Ellis for a law authorizing the town of East Bridgewater to pay certain bounties, was considered. Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater moved to amend by substituting a "Bill to authorize the town of East Bridgewater to pay certain bounties," which motion prevailed; and the bill, having been once read, was ordered to a second reading.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing the town of Wilmington to pay certain bounties, was considered. Mr. Brown of Reading moved to amend by substituting a "Bill to authorize the town of Wilmington to pay certain money to certain soldiers in the late war." An amendment moved by the same gentleman to his proposed substitute was adopted, and the bill as amended was then substituted for the report; and, having been read once, it was placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

The Bill to amend "An Act to impose an excise tax upon life-insurance companies" was read a third time; and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Porter of Quincy, postponed for further consideration until Monday, pending a motion of the same gentleman to amend by substituting a "Bill to amend 'An Act in relation to the taxation of insurance companies,'" which was read, and ordered to be printed.

The Bill to give Priscilla Freeman and her children the right to fish in Tisbury Great Pond, in Dukes County, was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Brackett of Boston moved to amend by substituting a "Resolve in relation to the rights of Priscilla Freeman in lands bordering upon Tisbury Great Pond, and in relation to the present lease of said pond;" which motion prevailed, and the resolve was placed in the orders of the day for Monday, under Rule 60, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to limiting the time within which one railroad corporation can lease to another, was further considered, and was, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, postponed for further consideration until Monday.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Middlesex Aqueduct Corporation to take real estate for increasing its water-supply, and for other purposes, was considered, and was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Bills:

To provide for the appointment of railroad police officers for the Troy and Greenfield Railroad (amended on motion of Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield);

Relative to the punishment of drunkenness;

To establish registrars of voters in cities (amended on motion of Mr. McSorley of Cambridge by inserting a new section in place of section 1);

To punish the fraudulent evasion of the payment of hack or carriage fares; and

To supply the town of Framingham with pure water;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Reports:

Of the committee on Expenditures, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Franklin Gray, chairman of the county commissioners of Bristol County, for increase of salary of said commissioners; and

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to a change in the salaries of the clerks of the courts of the counties of Hampshire and Franklin;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The Bill to protect Salter's Beach in the towns of Duxbury and Plymouth was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Avery of Plymouth, passed to be engrossed in concurrence as amended, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

At five minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

MONDAY, April 11, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

The order offered on Friday last, and laid over, relative to evening sessions, was rejected. Evening sessions.

Motions to Reconsider.

Mr. Rand of Medford moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, rejected the "Bill to authorize the Middlesex Aqueduct Corporation to take real estate for increasing its water-supply, and for other purposes," which motion was lost. Middlesex Aqueduct Corporation.

Mr. French of Lynn moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, recommitted to the committee on Labor the Bill in relation to elevators. The motion was lost. Elevators.

List of Certain Salaries.

A communication was received from the auditor of accounts, transmitting a list of salaries now paid to the several officers named in the reports of the committee on Expenditures, now in the orders of the day, in compliance with an order of the House of April 4, 1881. Read, and placed on file. Official salaries.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills:

To incorporate the East Haven Company (reported on a petition); East Haven Company.

Concerning the returns made to the insurance commissioner by life-insurance companies (substituted in the Senate for the report, inexpedient to legislate, on the Life-insurance companies' returns.

supplementary report of the insurance commissioner, relative to salaries paid by insurance companies);

Registration
and elections
in Boston.

To amend "An Act in relation to registration and elections in the city of Boston" (reported on a Senate order dated Jan. 28);

East Boston
Railway Dock
and Elevator
Company.
Terminal facil-
ities in Boston.

To incorporate the East Boston Railway Dock and Elevator Company (reported on a petition); and a

Resolve in relation to dock and railroad terminal facilities in the port of Boston (reported, in part, on the annual report of the commissioners on harbors and public lands);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Suit against
Boston and
Albany Rail-
road.

The Resolve authorizing the attorney-general to discontinue a certain suit against the Boston and Albany Railroad Company on certain conditions came down from the Senate with the indorsement thereon that the Senate concurred in the suspension of the 10th joint Rule.

Plymouth-coun-
ty probate
court.

The House Bill to fix the times and places of holding sessions of the probate court in the county of Plymouth came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule.

Reports of Committees.

Revision of the
Statutes.

By Mr. Higginson of Cambridge, from the committee on the Revision of the Statutes, that no action is necessary on the order requesting said committee to inquire to whom, by whom, and by what authority, copies of the report of the commissioners were distributed. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Sesuet Cranber-
ry Company.

By Mr. Root of Barre, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Sesuet Cranberry Company.

Reformatory for
male prisoners.

By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, from the committee on Prisons, on a bill taken from the files of last year, and a portion of the Governor's address, a Resolve in relation to a reformatory for male prisoners.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Assay of
liquors.

By Mr. Bugbee of Boston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, submitting a report of the assayer and inspector of liquors, in accordance with an order of the Legislature, and recommending that said report be printed, and placed on file. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill relating to registers of probate and insolvency in the several counties was further considered. Mr. Reed of Taunton raised the point of order that the bill was improperly before the House, for the reason that it was the same, in two of its sections, as the bill relating to registers of probate and insolvency (House No. 64), which had been rejected by the House during the present session of the Legislature. The Chair ruled that the bill was properly before the House, the two bills being substantially different. After debate, the bill was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the
day.

Question of
order.

The Bill to amend "An Act to impose an excise tax upon life-insurance companies" was further considered; and pending the question on its engrossment, and pending certain amendments moved by Messrs. Brown of Boston, Porter of Quincy, and Hartwell of Southbridge, further consideration of the bill and amendments was postponed until to-morrow, on motion of the last-named gentleman.

The Resolve in relation to the rights of Priscilla Freeman in lands bordering upon Tisbury Great Pond, and in relation to the present lease of said pond, was further considered, and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to limiting the time within which one railroad corporation can lease to another, was, on motion of Mr. Andrew of Boston, laid on the table.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill to authorize the city of Boston to attach meters to buildings which it supplies with water, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Bills:

To set off the town of Natick from the jurisdiction of the first district court of Southern Middlesex; and

To provide for the appointment of railroad police officers for the Troy and Greenfield Railroad;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill concerning the tenure of office of teachers in the public schools was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Butler of Somerville, and, after debate, was rejected by a vote of 49 to 85, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to provide for a single ballot at national and State elections was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill relating to attachment, or the taking of goods on execution, and to bonds given therefor, was read a third time, and, after debate, was rejected.

The Bill to amend chapter 26 of the General Statutes, relating to boards of health, was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Amendments moved by Messrs. Sprague of Boston and Warren of Waltham were adopted, and, after debate, the bill was rejected by a vote of 84 to 58, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Bills:

Relating to the service of notices in levies of executions upon real estate; and

In relation to conditional sales of personal property;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

At fifteen minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 12, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

Agricultural
College.

By Mr. Root of Barre, petition of William Wheeler and 95 others, graduates and members of the associate alumni of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, in aid of the "Bill to determine the manner of electing trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College." Placed on file.

Bill Enacted, and Resolve Passed.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill to provide for refunding a portion of the debt of the Commonwealth (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury (which originated in the House) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate.

The Senate Bill to protect Salter's Beach in the towns of Duxbury and Plymouth, passed to be engrossed in concurrence by the House, with an amendment, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment, came down with the indorsement thereon that the Senate non-concurred; and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being "Shall the House recede?"

Salter's Beach.

The House Bill to repeal a portion of chapter 213 of the Acts of the year 1860, entitled "An Act making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes," came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with amendments to the title, so that it read, "Bill to repeal the portion relating to the stamping of securities of chapter 213," etc., in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule.

Stamping of securities.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill in relation to the bridge of the Boston and Maine Railroad over the Merrimack River at Haverhill was further considered, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading. Mr. Burke of Boston moved to amend by substituting therefor a bill with the same title, printed as House Document No. 295, and recommended by a minority of the committee. After extended debate the motion to amend was lost, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the day.

The Bill to amend "An Act to impose an excise tax upon life-insurance companies" was further considered, the question being on engrossment. The pending motion of Mr. Hartwell of Southbridge, to amend by inserting a new section to be numbered section 2, was lost. Mr. Brown of Boston moved to amend by inserting a new section to be numbered section 2, which was also lost. The same gentleman also moved to amend the original bill by substituting therefor a "Bill to tax investments in life and other insurance companies," printed as House Document No. 312. Mr. Porter of Quincy moved to amend the proposed substitute by substituting therefor a "Bill to amend 'An Act in relation to the taxation of insurance companies,'" printed as House Document No. 370, which motion was lost by a vote of 45 to 67. The motion of Mr. Brown to amend was then rejected, and the bill, after extended

debate, was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the laws relative to burial certificates, was accepted in concurrence.

The Resolve in relation to the rights of Priscilla Freeman in lands bordering upon Tisbury Great Pond, and in relation to the present lease of said pond ; and

Bills :

For the destruction of certain noxious animals ; and

To punish the fraudulent evasion of the payment of hack or carriage fares ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To supply the town of Framingham with pure water ; and

To establish registrars of voters in cities ;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence ; and the bill last named was sent up for concurrence in the amendment adopted by the House.

The Bill in relation to investments and deposits which may be made by savings banks and institutions for savings was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to require the city of Boston to abate a nuisance caused by it in Mystic Lower Pond, for protecting the purity of the waters of said pond, and for the preservation of the public health, especially in the towns of Medford and Arlington, was further considered. Mr. Lyon of Boston renewed the amendment offered by him on the last stage of the bill, which was lost.

Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield moved to amend section 2 by striking out the last three lines, which provided for the payment of a portion of the expense from the State treasury, and the motion prevailed.

Mr. Morse of Newton moved to strike out section 4, which was carried by a vote of 75 to 72. Subsequently Mr. Brown of Boston moved to reconsider the vote, which was carried by a vote of 87 to 84 ; and, the question recurring on striking out the section, it was lost by a vote of 78 to 93.

The bill as amended was then passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At ten minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 18, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Baker of Beverly, a Bill to authorize the town of Beverly to refund its indebtedness. Read, and referred to the committee on Towns, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence. Beverly debt.

By Mr. Stevens of Malden, a Resolve confirming the acts of Thomas Flatley as a justice of the peace. Read, and considered under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. Thomas Flatley.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, —

Ordered, That the commissioners on the Revision of the General Statutes be authorized and requested to incorporate in their report just made the legislation of the present session of the Legislature. Revision of the Statutes.

Sent up for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. J. G. Webster of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the State Primary School at Monson ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading. State primary school.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition of Mary Titcomb for State aid for her ward, Eugene M. Dow, a Resolve in favor of Eugene M. Dow. Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance. Mary Titcomb
— Eugene M.
Dow.

By Mr. Foster of Tewksbury, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Resolve providing for the construction of a block of solitary cells at the State Prison at Concord, and Solitary cells.

recommending its recommitment to the committee on Prisons. Read and accepted.

Papers from the Senate.

Pardons.

The report of the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on the message of the Governor, transmitting a list of pardons granted in the year 1880, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule.

Appropriation bill.

The House Bill making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for other purposes, came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule.

Bills Enacted, and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural and Horticultural Society ;

To fix the times and places of holding sessions of the probate court in the county of Plymouth ; and

To authorize the city of Boston to attach meters to buildings which it supplies with water ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To provide for a single ballot at national and State elections (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve confirming the acts of John O. Teele as a justice of the peace (which originated in the House) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the State Board of Health, Lunacy, and Charity.

Board of Health, Lunacy, and Charity.

A communication was received from the secretary of the State Board of Health, Lunacy, and Charity, transmitting the second annual report of said board. Referred to the next General Court, under the 10th joint Rule.

Taken from the Table.

Sewage of the State Prison.

On motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, the report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing the discharge of the sewage of the State Prison into the Concord River and its tribu-

taries, was taken from the table, and, on further motion of the same gentleman, was recommitted to the committee on Public Health.

On motion of Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, the report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to limiting the time within which one railroad corporation can lease to another, was taken from the table, and, on further motion of the same gentleman, was placed in the orders of the day.

Railroad leases.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Thomas of Brookline, the Senate Bill to incorporate the East Boston Railway Dock and Elevator Company was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

East Boston
Railway Dock
and Elevator
Company.

On motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, the Bill providing for the preservation of lobsters was discharged from the orders of the day. On further motion of the same gentleman, the House non-concurred with the Senate in its amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Lobsters.

The Bill to incorporate the Lexington Water Company was, on motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, discharged from the orders of the day, and, pending the question on engrossment, it was amended, as moved by Mr. Wilson, by inserting two new sections to be numbered sections 9 and 10. On further motion of the same gentleman, the bill was then laid on the table.

Lexington Wa-
ter Company.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to determine the manner of electing trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College was further considered. Mr. Reed of Taunton moved to amend by substituting the bill printed as House Document No. 372. The motion was lost, and, after extended debate, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the
day.

The Bill to regulate railroad fares was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Fernald of Melrose moved to amend by inserting a new section to be numbered section 4, which was lost.

Several amendments moved by Messrs. Searles of Northbridge and Metcalf of Springfield were rejected; and one amendment moved by the gentleman last named was adopted. Mr. Cogswell of Salem moved to amend by substituting a "Resolve in relation to regulating fares on railroads by statute," which was carried; and the resolve was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, under Rule 60, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

The Bill to provide better means of egress from factories, schoolhouses, and other establishments, was further considered. The pending motion of Mr. Hartwell of Southbridge, to amend, was lost, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in relation to a reformatory for male prisoners was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in relation to conditional sales of personal property was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in relation to investments and deposits which may be made by savings banks and institutions for savings was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill to amend "An Act to provide for the enrolment of the militia, for the organization of the volunteer militia, and for the public defence," was read a second time, and considered. Mr. Coney of Springfield moved to amend by substituting therefor a bill with the same title, and printed as House Document No. 234, being the bill originally reported by the committee on Military Affairs. Pending the consideration of this amendment, Mr. O'Neil of Boston moved that the House adjourn, and also that the doors be locked. The latter motion was carried, and, at the request of the same gentleman, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question of adjournment; and, the roll being called, the motion to adjourn was lost by a vote of 9 yeas to 100 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ames, Edwin.
Brown, Leonard.
Cushman, Solomon F.
Hadley, Stephen D.
Hartwell, Samuel C.

Messrs. Russell, William W.
Shores, Norman W.
Swift, Charles F.
Walker, Aaron G.

NAYS.

Messrs. Andrew, John F.
 Ayer, Thomas P.
 Bail, George W.
 Baker, John I.
 Baker, Thomas J.
 Bidwell, Marshall S.
 Bixby, Nelson H.
 Bosworth, Edwin R.
 Bowerman, Samuel W.
 Brackett, John Q. A.
 Buck, John W. P.
 Bugbee, James M.
 Burpee, William H.
 Burr, Edwin S.
 Butler, Edward P.
 Butler, John Haskell.
 Carroll, Lewis.
 Clarke, Albert E.
 Cleveland, Tristram.
 Cogswell, William.
 Coney, Hubert M.
 Curtis, Hiram.
 Davenport, James F.
 Donovan, Daniel.
 Dorman, Asahel H.
 Dunham, Henry J.
 Eager, Edward R.
 Eddy, Charles A.
 Fay, George F.
 Fernald, B. Marvin.
 Forbes, William T.
 Freeman, Jesse H.
 Fuller, Luther F.
 Gaskill, Leonard T.
 Gifford, Rufus B.
 Gilbert, Lucien M.
 Gill, Charles L.
 Goodwin, John.
 Hatch, Silas B.
 Hayden, Edward D.
 Hemphill, Ashton E.
 Higginson, Thomas W.
 Hill, Hamilton A.
 Hoar, Samuel.
 Holman, William F.
 Jewett, Albert G.
 Johnson, William.
 Jones, Thomas B.

Messrs. Joyce, John.
 Kelly, Francis B.
 Kelley, Watson B.
 Kendall, Ira Y.
 Learnard, George E.
 Lincoln, Clark.
 Livermore, George B.
 Lodge, Henry C.
 Love, John J.
 Lyon, Henry.
 McFarlin, Peleg.
 McGeough, James A.
 McSorley, John.
 Merritt, Christopher C.
 Metcalf, Edwin D.
 Miller, J. Hervey.
 Muzzey, Henry W.
 O'Neil, Joseph H.
 Paddack, Henry.
 Parmenter, Charles O.
 Parratt, George A.
 Peck, Chauncey E.
 Plunkett, Francis.
 Porter, Burrill, jun.
 Porter, Charles H.
 Prouty, Isaac L.
 Reade, John.
 Robbins, Oliver W.
 Root, Thomas P.
 Sawin, Otis D.
 Searles, George F.
 Shepard, George A.
 Slocum, Henry A.
 Smith, Remember.
 Smith, Zenas E.
 Sprague, Henry H.
 Stevens, Edward G.
 Stevens, Ezra A.
 Stickney, Joseph W.
 Stover, Augustus W.
 Thayer, S. Proctor.
 Thomas, Edward I.
 Tufts, Arthur W.
 Vinal, Quincy A.
 Vining, David T.
 Wardwell, Henry.
 Warren, Nathan.
 Webster, Edwin R.

Messrs. Wells, Henry J.
Whitney, Giles H.

Messrs. Willcutt, Levi L.
Wilson, Arthur H.

Yeas, 9 ; nays, 100.

After further debate, Mr. Coney's amendment prevailed, and the bill as amended was ordered to a third reading.

At fifteen minutes before six o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 14, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

Exemption from
taxation of ships
in foreign trade.

By Mr. Brackett of Boston, petition of George H. Clark and others for legislation exempting from taxation shipping engaged in foreign trade. Placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

Cambridge
water.

Notice was received from the Senate that the Bill to provide a further supply of water for the city of Cambridge had been rejected by that branch.

Hampden-
county probate
judge.

A Bill to establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampden, reported on an order, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Reports of Committees.

Ventilation of
the State Prison.

By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, from the committee on Prisons, asking to be discharged from further consideration of so much of the report of the commissioners of prisons as relates to the ventilation of the State Prison, and recommending its reference to the committee on Public Health. Read, accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

County
accounts.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the joint special committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to county accounts. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Commissioners
on contagious
cattle diseases.

By Mr. Root of Barre, from the committee on Agriculture, on the report of the commissioners on contagious

diseases among cattle, a Resolve in favor of the commissioners on contagious diseases among cattle. Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. French of Lynn, from the committee on Labor, Elevators. that the Bill (recommitted) in relation to elevators ought to pass with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the main question being on ordering to a third reading.

By Mr. Vinal of Somerville, from the committee on Yorktown. Federal Relations, that the Resolve (recommitted) relative to the centennial celebration at Yorktown ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To repeal the portion relating to the stamping of securities, of chapter 213 of the Acts of the year 1860, entitled "An Act making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes" (which originated in the House);

To supply the town of Framingham with pure water;

To establish registrars of voters in cities; and

In relation to investments and deposits which may be made by savings banks and institutions for savings;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves:

Resolves passed.

In favor of the towns of Florida, Rowe, and Charlemont;

Granting aid to the town of Westfield; and

Relating to the purchase of an organ for the State Prison;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Gargan of Boston, the Bill to repeal "An Act to authorize the construction of a bridge over Green Harbor River. Green Harbor River in Marshfield" was taken from the table, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, pending the question on ordering to a third reading.

*Reconsideration.*Egress from
buildings.

On motion of Mr. Hartwell of Southbridge, the House reconsidered the vote whereby the Bill to provide better means of egress from factories, schoolhouses, and other establishments, was yesterday passed to be engrossed; and, the question recurring on engrossment, the bill was rejected, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

*Discharged from the Orders.*Double
taxation.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, the Bill relieving property from double taxation in certain cases was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Justice of
Charlestown
municipal
court.

Mr. White of Taunton moved to discharge from the orders of the day the Bill to establish the salary of the standing justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district in the city of Boston. On this motion the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Hatch of Fall River; and, the roll being called, the motion was lost by a vote of 19 yeas to 114 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Avery, Winslow W.	Messrs. Milliken, Eben C.
Bailey, Thomas F.	Parmenter, Charles O.
Butler, John Haskell.	Rice, Frederick S.
Cleveland, Tristram.	Sawin, Otis D.
Cronin, Cornelius F.	Sawyer, Henry O.
Fiske, George B.	Snow, William O.
Hatch, Silas B.	Stanton, John.
Learnard, George E.	Vining, David T.
Marble, John W.	White, Lloyd E.
McSorley, John.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.	Messrs. Bixby, Nelson H.
Andrew, John F.	Bosworth, Edwin R.
Atwood, Newell S.	Bowerman, Samuel W.
Ayer, Thomas P.	Brown, Edward P.
Bail, George W.	Brown, Leonard.
Baker, John I.	Brown, William B.
Baker, Thomas J.	Bryant, George T.
Barton, Leonard.	Buck, John W. P.
Bidwell, Marshall S.	Bugbee, James M.

Messrs. Bulloch, Andrew.
 Bumstead, Josiah.
 Burpee, William H.
 Carpenter, Edward C.
 Chamberlain, George D.
 Clark, William L.
 Coffin, Amos.
 Cogswell, William.
 Coney, Hubert M.
 Crowell, James A.
 Cushman, Solomon F.
 Davenport, James F.
 Davis, Person.
 Dickerman, John E.
 Dunham, Henry J.
 Eddy, Charles A.
 Edwards, James.
 Evans, James M.
 Fay, George F.
 Fernald, B. Marvin.
 Forbes, William T.
 Foster, Enoch.
 Fuller, Luther F.
 Gifford, Rufus B.
 Gilbert, Lucien M.
 Gill, Charles L.
 Hartwell, Samuel C.
 Hayden, Edward D.
 Hemphill, Ashton E.
 Higginson, Thomas W.
 Hill, Hamilton A.
 Hoar, Samuel.
 Holman, William F.
 Hooper, Arthur.
 Hughes, Atkins.
 Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
 Jefferson, Martin V. B.
 Jewett, Albert G.
 Johnson, William.
 Jones, Thomas B.
 Kelley, Watson B.
 Kendall, Ira Y.
 Lawrence, Asa S.
 Lincoln, Clark.
 Lodge, Henry C.
 Look, Dwight B.
 Love, John J.
 Lyon, Henry.

Messrs. Marshall, Asaph R.
 McCullough, Thomas.
 McManus, Edward.
 Metcalf, Edwin D.
 Morrison, Daniel T.
 Newell, Richard.
 O'Neil, Joseph H.
 Parratt, George A.
 Peck, Chauncey E.
 Phillips, Henry M.
 Plunkett, Francis.
 Porter, Charles H.
 Porter, Vaniah M.
 Prouty, Isaac L.
 Rand, John C.
 Reade, John.
 Reed, Charles A.
 Richardson, Nath'l, jun.
 Richardson, Solon O.
 Robbins, Oliver W.
 Scott, Thomas.
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Sheppard, Joel F.
 Slocum, Henry A.
 Smith, Remember.
 Smith, Zenas E.
 Sprague, Henry H.
 Steele, Isaac A. S.
 Stevens, Edward G.
 Stickney, Joseph W.
 Stowe, Edmund M.
 Strong, Sidney.
 Sullivan, John C.
 Swift, Charles F.
 Tapley, Gilbert A.
 Tappan, William H.
 Tufts, Arthur W.
 Vinal, Quincy A.
 Walker, Aaron G.
 Walker, Samuel.
 Warren, Nathan.
 Webster, Edwin R.
 Wells, Henry J.
 Whitney, Giles H.
 Wilcox, Charles W.
 Wilson, Arthur H.
 Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.
 Wood, Owen.

Yeas, 19; nays, 114.

*A Resolution.**Absenteeism.*

Subsequently, Mr. White of Taunton offered the following resolution :—

WHEREAS the business of this House is obstructed by the unnecessary absence of members, therefore

Resolved, That a fine equal to one day's pay of a member be imposed on such members as were absent or not voting at the roll-call just taken, and not excused by the committee on Leave of Absence.

Mr. Hoar of Concord moved to amend the resolution by adding, after the word "taken," the words "or at the roll-call taken last night." Mr. Hartwell of Southbridge moved to amend by adding thereto the words, "or any previous roll-call," which motions were lost.

Mr. Andrew of Boston moved to substitute for the resolution an order that the names of those absent or not voting be printed in the calendar for to-morrow. This motion was lost, and the resolution was rejected.

*Orders of the Day.**Orders of the day.*

The Resolve in relation to regulating fares on railroads by statute was further considered, and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve providing for reimbursement of State aid to the cities of Holyoke and Newton, and the towns of Andover, Tisbury, and Pepperell, was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Coney of Springfield moved to so amend the resolve as to make it apply to the town of Agawam, and also to insert after the word "Pepperell," in the title, the word "Agawam," which motions were adopted. Amendments moved by Mr. Hemphill of Holyoke were also adopted, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The report of the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relating to the salary of the first clerk and deputy-clerk in the secretary's department, was, on motion of Mr. Hill of Boston, recommitted to the committee on Expenditures.

Bills :

Relative to abandoned animals (amended on motions of Mr. Cogswell of Salem);

To establish the salaries of the auditor of accounts and the secretary of the Commonwealth;

To prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of apothecaries;

To amend "An Act relating to the salaries and compensation of the persons employed in the secretary's department;"

To establish the salary of the standing justice of the police court in Lee;

To establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court in the city of Lynn;

To establish the salary of the standing justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district in the city of Boston;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the first district court of Bristol County; and

To establish the salary of the clerk of the first district court of Plymouth County; and the

Resolve in favor of the State Primary School at Monson;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to advertising applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors, and restricting the granting of such licenses, was further considered. Mr. Lodge of Nahant moved that debate be closed at three o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, which motion was adopted. Amendments moved by Messrs. Phillips of Springfield and Sullivan of Middleborough were adopted. An amendment moved by Mr. Metcalf of Springfield, providing that the notices of applications for licenses to be posted should be twelve inches square, was also adopted. Subsequently, Mr. Lodge of Nahant moved to reconsider the vote whereby this last amendment was carried, and the motion prevailed. The question recurring on the adoption of the amendment, it was lost. After further debate, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

At five o'clock adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 15, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

Boston—
Shawsheen
River.

The report of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Frederick O. Prince, mayor of Boston, for an act giving the city of Boston the right to take the waters of Shawsheen River for the supply of said city, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Bills:

Accounts of
county officers.

In relation to the auditing of the accounts of county officers; and

Prisoners in
Suffolk-county
jail.

In relation to prisoners sentenced to imprisonment in jail in Suffolk County;

Severally reported, in part, on the report of the commissioners of prisons, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Shanly.

A Resolve in favor of Walter Shanly, reported on petitions, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Noxious
animals.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill for the destruction of certain noxious animals had been rejected by that branch.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To incorporate the Charles-River Embankment Company; and

Making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for other purposes;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed Bill Recommitted.

Lobsters.

An engrossed Bill for the preservation of lobsters was put upon its final passage. On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, it was recommitted to the committee on the Fisheries.

Reports of Committees.

Visiting phys-
icians to lunatic-
hospitals.

By Mr. Hartwell of Southbridge, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a bill on leave, a Bill to establish boards of visiting physicians for State lunatic-hospitals. Read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. McGeough of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (recommitted) relating to the appointment of constables for certain municipal courts in the city of Boston ought to pass in a new draft with the same title. Read, and ordered to a second reading.

Boston constables.

Orders of the Day.

Bills:

Orders of the day.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the East Boston district in the city of Boston;

To establish the salary of the treasurer of Plymouth County;

Establishing the salaries of the extra clerks in the auditor's department;

To establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court in the city of Newton;

To establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district in the city of Boston;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the secretary of the Board of Agriculture;

To establish the salaries of district attorneys (amendments moved by Mr. Hayden of Woburn, providing for an increase of the salaries of the district attorney for Suffolk County and his assistants, having been rejected);

To amend "An Act in relation to registration and elections in the city of Boston;" and

Concerning the returns made to the insurance commissioner by life-insurance companies; and the

Resolve relative to the centennial celebration at Yorktown;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate, on orders relative to the sale of the stock owned by the Commonwealth in the New-York and New-England Railroad, was considered. Mr. Hayden of Woburn moved to substitute for the report a "Bill to authorize the sale of the Commonwealth's stock in the New-York and New-England Railroad Company," printed as Senate Document No. 184. The motion was lost, and after debate the report was accepted in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the taxation of deposits in savings banks was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, was, on motion of Mr. Fernald of Melrose,

postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Resolves:

In favor of Adelaide E. Palmer; and

In favor of the State Primary School at Monson;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

In addition to "An Act to provide for the management of the Hoosac Tunnel and the Troy and Greenfield Railroad" (amended on motion of Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield); and

Relating to the service of notices in levies of executions upon real estate;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House receded from its amendment to the Senate Bill to protect Salter's Beach in the towns of Duxbury and Plymouth, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

The Bill to establish the salaries of certain standing justices of the district courts in the county of Worcester was read a second time, and considered. An amendment moved by Mr. Moriarty of Worcester was adopted, and after debate the yeas and nays were ordered on the main question, at the request of Mr. Parmenter of Amherst; and, the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 107 yeas to 80 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ames, Edwin.

Andrew, John F.

Atwood, Newell S.

Avery, Winslow W.

Ayer, Thomas P.

Baker, Thomas J.

Beckford, Ebenezer.

Brown, Charles F.

Brown, Edward P.

Brown, Leonard.

Buck, John W. P.

Bugbee, James M.

Burke, William J.

Chamberlain, George D.

Clark, William L.

Messrs. Clarke, Albert E.

Cogswell, William.

Collamore, Francis.

Colton, John W.

Coney, Hubert M.

Cronin, Cornelius F.

Curtis, Hiram.

Cushman, Solomon F.

Davenport, James F.

Davis, Person.

Dickerman, John E.

Eager, Edward R.

Edwards, James.

Floyd, Thomas.

Forbes, William T.

Messrs. Fowler, Charles B.
 French, Hartwell S.
 Fuller, Luther F.
 Gargan, Frank.
 Gaskill, Leonard T.
 Gifford, James E.
 Gifford, Rufus B.
 Gilman, Thomas K.
 Hadley, Stephen D.
 Hamlin, Joseph P.
 Hartwell, Samuel C.
 Hatch, Silas B.
 Hayden, Edward D.
 Hill, Hamilton A.
 Hoar, Samuel.
 Hooper, Arthur.
 Howard, Robert.
 Jenks, Henry R.
 Joyce, John.
 Keith, Albert.
 Kelly, Francis B.
 Learnard, George E.
 Lincoln, Clark.
 Lyon, Henry.
 Marble, John W.
 McFarlin, Peleg.
 McGeough, James A.
 McManus, Edward.
 Merritt, Christopher C.
 Milliken, Eben C.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morse, George W.
 Murphy, Timothy A.
 Muzzey, Henry W.
 Newell, Richard.
 Nichols, Joseph J.
 Noyes, Increase E.

Messrs. Packard, Davis S.
 Paddock, Henry.
 Phillips, Henry M.
 Plunkett, Francis.
 Quirk, Dennis G.
 Rand, John C.
 Reade, John.
 Richardson, Solon O.
 Russell, William W.
 Sanborn, John H.
 Sawin, Otis D.
 Searles, George F.
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Shepard, Harvey N.
 Sheppard, Joel F.
 Sprague, Henry H.
 Stevens, J. Tyler.
 Stickney, Joseph W.
 Strong, Sidney.
 Sullivan, John C.
 Swift, Charles F.
 Tappan, William H.
 Thayer, S. Proctor.
 Thomas, Edward I.
 Tinkham, Benjamin C.
 Tufts, Joseph A.
 Vining, David T.
 Wales, Jonathan.
 Wardwell, Henry.
 Webster, Edwin R.
 Webster, John G.
 Wells, Henry J.
 White, James.
 White, Lloyd E.
 Whitney, Giles H.
 Wilcox, Charles W.
 Willcutt, Levi L.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bailey, Thomas F.
 Baker, John I.
 Barton, Leonard.
 Bidwell, Marshall S.
 Bixby, Nelson H.
 Bosworth, Edwin R.
 Bryant, George T.
 Bulloch, Andrew.
 Burpee, William H.
 Burr, Edwin S.

Messrs. Burt, George L.
 Butler, John Haskell.
 Canterbury, Nathan D.
 Carleton, George H.
 Carpenter, Edward C.
 Clapp, Frank A.
 Cleveland, Tristram.
 Coolidge, Timothy A.
 Crowell, James A.
 Dorman, Asahel F.

Messrs. Farrar, Job P.	Messrs. Morrison, Daniel T.
Fay, George F.	Mullane, Jeremiah H.
Fay, Thomas, jun.	O'Neil, Joseph H.
Fernald, B. Marvin.	Parmenter, Charles O.
Fifield, Benjamin L.	Parratt, George A.
Fiske, George B.	Porter, Burrill, jun.
Freeman, Jesse H.	Porter, Charles H.
Gilbert, Lucien M.	Rice, Frederick S.
Gill, Charles L.	Richardson, Nath'l, jun.
Goulding, Robert.	Robbins, Oliver W.
Hale, Silas W.	Root, Thomas P.
Hemphill, Ashton E.	Sawyer, Henry O.
Higginson, Thomas W.	Scott, Thomas.
Holman, William F.	Shores, Norman W.
Jacobs, Joseph, jun.	Smith, Zenas E.
Jefferson, Martin V. B.	Snow, William O.
Jewett, Albert G.	Stanton, John.
Johnson, William.	Steele, Isaac A. S.
Jones, Thomas B.	Stevens, Edward G.
Kelley, Watson B.	Stowe, Edmund M.
Kendall, Ira Y.	Tapley, Gilbert A.
Look, Dwight B.	Vinal, Quincy A.
Love, John J.	Walker, Aaron G.
Mackintosh, James.	Walker, Samuel.
Mansfield, Andrew.	Warren, Nathan.
Marshall, Asaph R.	Whitney, Levi L.
McCullough, Thomas.	Wilson, Arthur H.
McSorley, John.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.
Miller, J. Hervey.	Wood, Owen.

Yeas, 107 ; nays, 80.

The Resolve concerning an amendment to the Constitution to prevent the disfranchisement of certain soldiers and sailors becoming paupers was read a third time, and considered.

Mr. McGeough of Boston moved to amend the article of amendment recited in the resolve; but the Speaker ruled that the amendment was out of order, the article of amendment having been agreed to by the present Legislature.

Question of
order.

Mr. Wells of Cambridge raised the question of order that the language of the resolve was inconsistent with that of the resolve already passed by the Legislature, which in its terms provided that the article of amendment should "be referred to the General Court next to be chosen." The Speaker ruled that this was not a proper question of order, as no parliamentary principle requires that the action of the House shall be consistent, and also as the question before the House in the resolve referred to was

on agreeing to the article of amendment; and the said article having been agreed to by two successive General Courts, it is the duty of the Legislature to provide for its submission to the people.

Mr. Wells then moved that the resolve be referred to the committee on the Judiciary, which was rejected.

The resolve was then passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the taxation of ships and vessels engaged in foreign trade was read a third time, and, pending its consideration, the House

Adjourned.

MONDAY, April 18, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Warren of Waltham, petition of the Mercantile Marine Insurance Company of Boston for change of corporate name. Referred, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Insurance, and sent up for concurrence.

Mercantile Marine Insurance Company.

By Mr. Hayden of Woburn, petition of William D. Forbes and others; and, by Mr. Thomas of Brookline, petition of F. M. Holmes and others, — severally in aid of the Bill relating to the transfer of stocks in corporations.

Transfer of stocks.

Severally placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the joint special committee on Probate and Chancery, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to transferring to the probate courts all causes of marriage, divorce, and alimony, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Marriage, divorce, and alimony.

Bills:

To authorize the city of Salem to take certain flats in the North River (reported on so much of the petition of the city of Salem as relates to the taking of flats, water-rights, and franchises, recommitted March 31);

Salem.

To authorize the city of Boston to take and hold land and other property for a landing for the East Boston fer-

East Boston ferries.

ries (substituted in the Senate for the report, reference to next General Court, on a petition of the mayor of Boston);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Bills.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following bills had been rejected by that branch:—

Relating to jurisdiction over actions of tort;

To punish the fraudulent evasion of the payment of hack or carriage fares; and

To amend "An Act concerning the Neponset bridge and Braintree and Weymouth turnpike."

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To protect Salter's Beach in the towns of Duxbury and Plymouth; and

Relating to the service of notices in levies of executions upon real estate;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Shanly.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Resolve in favor of Walter Shanly.

Eugene M. Dow.

By Mr. Prouty of Spencer, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Resolve in favor of Eugene M. Dow.

Severally read and accepted, and the resolves were severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Juries.

By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to the impanelling of juries ought not to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

**Compensation
of members of
Legislature.**

By Mr. Stevens of Malden, from the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the compensation of members of the Legislature. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

**Commissioners
on contagious
cattle diseases.**

By Mr. Foster of Tewksbury, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the commissioners on contagious diseases among cattle ought to pass. Placed

in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Forbes of Westborough, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, that the Senate Bill in relation to the jurisdiction of courts of insolvency in certain cases ought to pass in a new draft with the same title. Read, and ordered to a second reading.

Courts of
insolvency.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Frederick O. Prince, mayor of Boston, for an act giving the city of Boston the right to take the waters of Shawsheen River for the supply of said city, was accepted in concurrence.

Orders of the
day.

Bills :

In relation to the auditing of the accounts of county officers; and

In relation to prisoners sentenced to imprisonment in jail in Suffolk County;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve in relation to a reformatory for male prisoners was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend "An Act in relation to registration and elections in the city of Boston" was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the taxation of ships and vessels engaged in foreign trade was further considered. The pending amendments moved by Mr. Brackett of Boston were adopted, and that moved by Mr. Morse of Newton was rejected, and after extended debate the bill was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At five minutes before five o'clock adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 19, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Motion to Reconsider.

Taxation of
ships in foreign
trade.

Mr. Crowell of New Bedford moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Bill relating to taxation of ships and vessels engaged in foreign trade was yesterday passed to be engrossed by the House. The motion was lost.

Bills Enacted, and Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Relating to registers of probate and insolvency in the several counties; and

To amend "An Act to impose an excise tax upon life-insurance companies;"

(Which severally originated in the House); and

To amend "An Act in relation to registration and elections in the city of Boston" (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve providing for reimbursement of State aid to the cities of Holyoke and Newton, and the towns of Andover, Tisbury, Agawam, and Pepperell (which originated in the Senate), was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Compensation
of members.

On motion of Mr. Phillips of Springfield, the report of the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the compensation of the members of the General Court, was discharged from the orders of the day, and, on further motion of the same gentleman, it was laid on the table.

Reports of Committees.

Associate medi-
cal examiner,
Suffolk County.

By Mr. Prouty of Spencer, from the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to fixing the salary of the associate medical examiner of Suffolk County. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Visiting physi-
cians at lunatic
hospitals.

By Mr. John G. Webster of Boston, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill to establish boards of visiting physicians for State lunatic-hospitals. The report was

read and accepted, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Resolve (on leave) authorizing the attorney-general to discontinue a certain suit against the Boston and Albany Railroad Company on certain conditions ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Suit against Boston and Albany Railroad.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill concerning costs under the trustee process came down from the Senate with the indorsement thereon that the Senate insisted on its amendment at "A," and receded from its amendments at "B" and "C." On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the House receded from its amendment at "A," and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Costs under trustee process.

The Bill to authorize the sale of public buildings in Adams, and for other purposes, came down passed to be engrossed by the Senate, and was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Public buildings in Adams.

A Resolve in favor of Andrew J. Waterman, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

A. J. Waterman.

The House Resolve confirming the acts of Thomas Flatley as a justice of the peace came down with the indorsement that the Senate concurred in the suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and the resolve was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Thomas Flatley.

The House Bill concerning the examination of debtors and witnesses in proceedings in insolvency, and the discharge of insolvent debtors, came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, which were referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Debtors and witnesses in insolvency cases.

The House Bill to amend "An Act to establish the compensation of the special justices of the police and district courts in the Commonwealth" came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, which were referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Special justices.

The House Bill concerning judgment-debtors came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, which were referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Judgment-debtors.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The Bill relating to the taxation of deposits in savings banks was, on motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, laid on the table, pending the question on engrossment.

Bills:

To authorize the establishment and maintenance of dog-shelter by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in the city of Boston (amended on motion of Mr. Shepard of Boston);

To incorporate the East Haven Company;

In relation to the jurisdiction of courts of insolvency in certain cases;

To authorize the city of Salem to take certain flats in the North River; and

Concerning Alewife Brook and certain sewers in Cambridge and Somerville; and the

Resolve in favor of Eugene M. Dow;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the joint special committee on Probate and Chancery, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to transferring to probate courts all causes of marriage, divorce, and alimony, was accepted in concurrence.

Bills:

In relation to the auditing of the accounts of county officers; and

In relation to prisoners sentenced to imprisonment in jail in Suffolk County;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill relieving property from double taxation in certain cases was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Amendments moved by Messrs. Morse of Newton, Wells of Cambridge, and Muzzey of Cambridge, were adopted, and after extended debate, at the request of Mr. Fernald of Melrose, the yeas and nays were ordered on the main question; and, the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 161 yeas to 45 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.
Allen, Charles H.
Allen, Frank D.

Messrs. Ames, Edwin.
Andrew, John F.
Avery, Winslow W.

Messrs. Ayer, Thomas P.
 Bail, George W.
 Bailey, Thomas F.
 Baker, John I.
 Baker, Thomas J.
 Beckford, Ebenezer.
 Bidwell, Marshall S.
 Brackett, John Q. A.
 Brown, Charles F.
 Byrant, George T.
 Buck, John W. P.
 Budington, Jonathan.
 Bugbee, James M.
 Bulloch, Andrew.
 Burke, William J.
 Burpee, William H.
 Burr, Frank W.
 Burt, George L.
 Butler, John Haskell.
 Cable, Hobart M.
 Canterbury, Nathan D.
 Carleton, George H.
 Carroll, Lewis.
 Cawley, Edward.
 Chamberlain, George D.
 Clapp, Frank A.
 Clark, William L.
 Cleveland, Tristram.
 Collamore, Francis.
 Coney, Hubert M.
 Coolidge, Timothy A.
 Corey, Charles A.
 Crandall, George N.
 Cronin, Cornelius F.
 Curtis, Hiram.
 Cushman, Solomon F.
 Davenport, James F.
 Davis, Person.
 Donovan, Daniel.
 Dorman, Asahel H.
 Evans, James M.
 Farrar, Job P.
 Fay, Thomas, jun.
 Fernald, B. Marvin.
 Fifield, Benjamin L.
 Fiske, George B.
 Floyd, Thomas.
 Forbes, William T.
 Fowler, Charles B.

Messrs. French, Hartwell S.
 Fuller, Luther F.
 Galvin, Owen A.
 Gargan, Frank.
 Gaskill, Leonard T.
 Gilbert, Lucien M.
 Hadley, Stephen D.
 Hale, Silas W.
 Hamlin, Joseph P.
 Hatch, Silas B.
 Higginson, Thomas W.
 Hill, Hamilton A.
 Holman, William F.
 Hooper, Arthur.
 Howland, Charles W.
 Hughes, Atkins.
 Jenks, Henry R.
 Jones, Thomas B.
 Kelly, Francis B.
 Kelley, Watson B.
 Kendall, Ira Y.
 Lincoln, Clark.
 Livermore, George B.
 Lodge, Henry C.
 Look, Dwight B.
 Mackintosh, James.
 Mahoney, Patrick F.
 Marshall, Asaph R.
 McCullough, Thomas.
 McDonald, Patrick F.
 McFarlin, Peleg.
 McGahey, Alexander B.
 McGeough, James A.
 McManus, Edward.
 McSorley, John.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Christopher C.
 Miller, J. Hervey.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morrison, Daniel T.
 Morse, George W.
 Mullane, Jeremiah H.
 Muzzey, Henry W.
 Nichols, Joseph J.
 Noyes, Increase E.
 O'Donnell, John.
 O'Neil, Joseph H.
 Packard, Davis S.
 Paddack, Henry.

postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Resolves:

In favor of Adelaide E. Palmer; and

In favor of the State Primary School at Monson;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

In addition to "An Act to provide for the management of the Hoosac Tunnel and the Troy and Greenfield Railroad" (amended on motion of Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield); and

Relating to the service of notices in levies of executions upon real estate;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House receded from its amendment to the Senate Bill to protect Salter's Beach in the towns of Duxbury and Plymouth, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

The Bill to establish the salaries of certain standing justices of the district courts in the county of Worcester was read a second time, and considered. An amendment moved by Mr. Moriarty of Worcester was adopted, and after debate the yeas and nays were ordered on the main question, at the request of Mr. Parmenter of Amherst; and, the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 107 yeas to 80 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Ames, Edwin.

Andrew, John F.
Atwood, Newell S.
Avery, Winslow W.
Ayer, Thomas P.
Baker, Thomas J.
Beckford, Ebenezer.
Brown, Charles F.
Brown, Edward P.
Brown, Leonard.
Buck, John W. P.
Bugbee, James M.
Burke, William J.
Chamberlain, George D.
Clark, William L.

Messrs. Clarke, Albert E.

Cogswell, William.
Collamore, Francis.
Colton, John W.
Coney, Hubert M.
Cronin, Cornelius F.
Curtis, Hiram.
Cushman, Solomon F.
Davenport, James F.
Davis, Person.
Dickerman, John E.
Eager, Edward R.
Edwards, James.
Floyd, Thomas.
Forbes, William T.

Messrs. Fowler, Charles B.
 French, Hartwell S.
 Fuller, Luther F.
 Gargan, Frank.
 Gaskill, Leonard T.
 Gifford, James E.
 Gifford, Rufus B.
 Gilman, Thomas K.
 Hadley, Stephen D.
 Hamlin, Joseph P.
 Hartwell, Samuel C.
 Hatch, Silas B.
 Hayden, Edward D.
 Hill, Hamilton A.
 Hoar, Samuel.
 Hooper, Arthur.
 Howard, Robert.
 Jenks, Henry R.
 Joyce, John.
 Keith, Albert.
 Kelly, Francis B.
 Learnard, George E.
 Lincoln, Clark.
 Lyon, Henry.
 Marble, John W.
 McFarlin, Peleg.
 McGeough, James A.
 McManus, Edward.
 Merritt, Christopher C.
 Milliken, Eben C.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morse, George W.
 Murphy, Timothy A.
 Muzzey, Henry W.
 Newell, Richard.
 Nichols, Joseph J.
 Noyes, Increase E.

Messrs. Packard, Davis S.
 Paddock, Henry.
 Phillips, Henry M.
 Plunkett, Francis.
 Quirk, Dennis G.
 Rand, John C.
 Reade, John.
 Richardson, Solon O.
 Russell, William W.
 Sanborn, John H.
 Sawin, Otis D.
 Searles, George F.
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Shepard, Harvey N.
 Sheppard, Joel F.
 Sprague, Henry H.
 Stevens, J. Tyler.
 Stickney, Joseph W.
 Strong, Sidney.
 Sullivan, John C.
 Swift, Charles F.
 Tappan, William H.
 Thayer, S. Proctor.
 Thomas, Edward I.
 Tinkham, Benjamin C.
 Tufts, Joseph A.
 Vining, David T.
 Wales, Jonathan.
 Wardwell, Henry.
 Webster, Edwin R.
 Webster, John G.
 Wells, Henry J.
 White, James.
 White, Lloyd E.
 Whitney, Giles H.
 Wilcox, Charles W.
 Willcutt, Levi L.

NATS.

Messrs. Bailey, Thomas F.
 Baker, John I.
 Barton, Leonard.
 Bidwell, Marshall S.
 Bixby, Nelson H.
 Bosworth, Edwin R.
 Bryant, George T.
 Bulloch, Andrew.
 Burpee, William H.
 Burr, Edwin S.

Messrs. Burt, George L.
 Butler, John Haskell.
 Canterbury, Nathan D.
 Carleton, George H.
 Carpenter, Edward C.
 Clapp, Frank A.
 Cleveland, Tristram.
 Coolidge, Timothy A.
 Crowell, James A.
 Dorman, Asahel F.

Messrs. Farrar, Job P.	Messrs. Morrison, Daniel T.
Fay, George F.	Mullane, Jeremiah H.
Fay, Thomas, jun.	O'Neil, Joseph H.
Fernald, B. Marvin.	Parmenter, Charles O.
Fifield, Benjamin L.	Parratt, George A.
Fiske, George B.	Porter, Burrill, jun.
Freeman, Jesse H.	Porter, Charles H.
Gilbert, Lucien M.	Rice, Frederick S.
Gill, Charles L.	Richardson, Nath'l, jun.
Goulding, Robert.	Robbins, Oliver W.
Hale, Silas W.	Root, Thomas P.
Hemphill, Ashton E.	Sawyer, Henry O.
Higginson, Thomas W.	Scott, Thomas.
Holman, William F.	Shores, Norman W.
Jacobs, Joseph, jun.	Smith, Zenas E.
Jefferson, Martin V. B.	Snow, William O.
Jewett, Albert G.	Stanton, John.
Johnson, William.	Steele, Isaac A. S.
Jones, Thomas B.	Stevens, Edward G.
Kelley, Watson B.	Stowe, Edmund M.
Kendall, Ira Y.	Tapley, Gilbert A.
Look, Dwight B.	Vinal, Quincy A.
Love, John J.	Walker, Aaron G.
Mackintosh, James.	Walker, Samuel.
Mansfield, Andrew.	Warren, Nathan.
Marshall, Asaph R.	Whitney, Levi L.
McCullough, Thomas.	Wilson, Arthur H.
McSorley, John.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.
Miller, J. Hervey.	Wood, Owen.

Yeas, 107 ; nays, 80.

The Resolve concerning an amendment to the Constitution to prevent the disfranchisement of certain soldiers and sailors becoming paupers was read a third time, and considered.

Mr. McGeough of Boston moved to amend the article of amendment recited in the resolve; but the Speaker ruled that the amendment was out of order, the article of amendment having been agreed to by the present Legislature.

Question of
order.

Mr. Wells of Cambridge raised the question of order that the language of the resolve was inconsistent with that of the resolve already passed by the Legislature, which in its terms provided that the article of amendment should "be referred to the General Court next to be chosen." The Speaker ruled that this was not a proper question of order, as no parliamentary principle requires that the action of the House shall be consistent, and also as the question before the House in the resolve referred to was

on agreeing to the article of amendment; and the said article having been agreed to by two successive General Courts, it is the duty of the Legislature to provide for its submission to the people.

Mr. Wells then moved that the resolve be referred to the committee on the Judiciary, which was rejected.

The resolve was then passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the taxation of ships and vessels engaged in foreign trade was read a third time, and, pending its consideration, the House

Adjourned.

MONDAY, April 18, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Warren of Waltham, petition of the Mercantile Marine Insurance Company of Boston for change of corporate name. Referred, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Insurance, and sent up for concurrence.

Mercantile Marine Insurance Company.

By Mr. Hayden of Woburn, petition of William D. Forbes and others; and, by Mr. Thomas of Brookline, petition of F. M. Holmes and others, — severally in aid of the Bill relating to the transfer of stocks in corporations.

Transfer of stocks.

Severally placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the joint special committee on Probate and Chancery, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to transferring to the probate courts all causes of marriage, divorce, and alimony, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Marriage, divorce, and alimony.

Bills:

To authorize the city of Salem to take certain flats in the North River (reported on so much of the petition of the city of Salem as relates to the taking of flats, water-rights, and franchises, recommitted March 31);

Salem.

To authorize the city of Boston to take and hold land and other property for a landing for the East Boston fer-

East Boston ferries.

ries (substituted in the Senate for the report, reference to next General Court, on a petition of the mayor of Boston);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Bills.

Notice was received from the Senate that the following bills had been rejected by that branch:—

Relating to jurisdiction over actions of tort;

To punish the fraudulent evasion of the payment of hack or carriage fares; and

To amend "An Act concerning the Neponset bridge and Braintree and Weymouth turnpike."

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To protect Salter's Beach in the towns of Duxbury and Plymouth; and

Relating to the service of notices in levies of executions upon real estate;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Shanly.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Resolve in favor of Walter Shanly.

Eugene M. Dow.

By Mr. Prouty of Spencer, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Resolve in favor of Eugene M. Dow.

Severally read and accepted, and the resolves were severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Juries.

By Mr. Wardwell of Peabody, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to the impanelling of juries ought not to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Compensation
of members of
Legislature.

By Mr. Stevens of Malden, from the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the compensation of members of the Legislature. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Commissioners
on contagious
cattle diseases.

By Mr. Foster of Tewksbury, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the commissioners on contagious diseases among cattle ought to pass. Placed

in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Forbes of Westborough, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, that the Senate Bill in relation to the jurisdiction of courts of insolvency in certain cases ought to pass in a new draft with the same title. Read, and ordered to a second reading.

Courts of
insolvency.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Frederick O. Prince, mayor of Boston, for an act giving the city of Boston the right to take the waters of Shawsheen River for the supply of said city, was accepted in concurrence.

Orders of the
day.

Bills:

In relation to the auditing of the accounts of county officers; and

In relation to prisoners sentenced to imprisonment in jail in Suffolk County;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve in relation to a reformatory for male prisoners was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend "An Act in relation to registration and elections in the city of Boston" was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill relating to the taxation of ships and vessels engaged in foreign trade was further considered. The pending amendments moved by Mr. Brackett of Boston were adopted, and that moved by Mr. Morse of Newton was rejected, and after extended debate the bill was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At five minutes before five o'clock adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 19, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Motion to Reconsider.

Taxation of
ships in foreign
trade.

Mr. Crowell of New Bedford moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Bill relating to taxation of ships and vessels engaged in foreign trade was yesterday passed to be engrossed by the House. The motion was lost.

Bills Enacted, and Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Relating to registers of probate and insolvency in the several counties; and

To amend "An Act to impose an excise tax upon life-insurance companies;"

(Which severally originated in the House); and

To amend "An Act in relation to registration and elections in the city of Boston" (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve providing for reimbursement of State aid to the cities of Holyoke and Newton, and the towns of Andover, Tisbury, Agawam, and Pepperell (which originated in the Senate), was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Compensation
of members.

On motion of Mr. Phillips of Springfield, the report of the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the compensation of the members of the General Court, was discharged from the orders of the day, and, on further motion of the same gentleman, it was laid on the table.

Reports of Committees.

Associate medi-
cal examiner,
Suffolk County.

By Mr. Prouty of Spencer, from the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to fixing the salary of the associate medical examiner of Suffolk County. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Visiting physi-
cians at lunatic-
hospitals.

By Mr. John G. Webster of Boston, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill to establish boards of visiting physicians for State lunatic-hospitals. The report was

read and accepted, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Resolve (on leave) authorizing the attorney-general to discontinue a certain suit against the Boston and Albany Railroad Company on certain conditions ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Suit against Boston and Albany Railroad.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill concerning costs under the trustee process came down from the Senate with the indorsement thereon that the Senate insisted on its amendment at "A," and receded from its amendments at "B" and "C." On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the House receded from its amendment at "A," and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Costs under trustee process.

The Bill to authorize the sale of public buildings in Adams, and for other purposes, came down passed to be engrossed by the Senate, and was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Public buildings in Adams.

A Resolve in favor of Andrew J. Waterman, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

A. J. Waterman.

The House Resolve confirming the acts of Thomas Flatley as a justice of the peace came down with the indorsement that the Senate concurred in the suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and the resolve was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Thomas Flatley.

The House Bill concerning the examination of debtors and witnesses in proceedings in insolvency, and the discharge of insolvent debtors, came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, which were referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

Debtors and witnesses in insolvency cases.

The House Bill to amend "An Act to establish the compensation of the special justices of the police and district courts in the Commonwealth" came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, which were referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Special justices.

The House Bill concerning judgment-debtors came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, which were referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Judgment-debtors.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The Bill relating to the taxation of deposits in savings banks was, on motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, laid on the table, pending the question on engrossment.

Bills:

To authorize the establishment and maintenance of dog-shelter by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in the city of Boston (amended on motion of Mr. Shepard of Boston);

To incorporate the East Haven Company;

In relation to the jurisdiction of courts of insolvency in certain cases;

To authorize the city of Salem to take certain flats in the North River; and

Concerning Alewife Brook and certain sewers in Cambridge and Somerville; and the

Resolve in favor of Eugene M. Dow;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the joint special committee on Probate and Chancery, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to transferring to probate courts all causes of marriage, divorce, and alimony, was accepted in concurrence.

Bills:

In relation to the auditing of the accounts of county officers; and

In relation to prisoners sentenced to imprisonment in jail in Suffolk County;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill relieving property from double taxation in certain cases was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Amendments moved by Messrs. Morse of Newton, Wells of Cambridge, and Muzzey of Cambridge, were adopted, and after extended debate, at the request of Mr. Fernald of Melrose, the yeas and nays were ordered on the main question; and, the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 161 yeas to 45 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.
Allen, Charles H.
Allen, Frank D.

Messrs. Ames, Edwin.
Andrew, John F.
Avery, Winslow W.

Messrs. Ayer, Thomas P.
 Bail, George W.
 Bailey, Thomas F.
 Baker, John I.
 Baker, Thomas J.
 Beckford, Ebenezer.
 Bidwell, Marshall S.
 Brackett, John Q. A.
 Brown, Charles F.
 Byrant, George T.
 Buck, John W. P.
 Budington, Jonathan.
 Bugbee, James M.
 Bulloch, Andrew.
 Burke, William J.
 Burpee, William H.
 Burr, Frank W.
 Burt, George L.
 Butler, John Haskell.
 Cable, Hobart M.
 Canterbury, Nathan D.
 Carleton, George H.
 Carroll, Lewis.
 Cawley, Edward.
 Chamberlain, George D.
 Clapp, Frank A.
 Clark, William L.
 Cleveland, Tristram.
 Collamore, Francis.
 Coney, Hubert M.
 Coolidge, Timothy A.
 Corey, Charles A.
 Crandall, George N.
 Cronin, Cornelius F.
 Curtis, Hiram.
 Cushman, Solomon F.
 Davenport, James F.
 Davis, Person.
 Donovan, Daniel.
 Dorman, Asabel H.
 Evans, James M.
 Farrar, Job P.
 Fay, Thomas, jun.
 Fernald, B. Marvin.
 Fifield, Benjamin L.
 Fiske, George B.
 Floyd, Thomas.
 Forbes, William T.
 Fowler, Charles B.

Messrs. French, Hartwell S.
 Fuller, Luther F.
 Galvin, Owen A.
 Gargan, Frank.
 Gaskill, Leonard T.
 Gilbert, Lucien M.
 Hadley, Stephen D.
 Hale, Silas W.
 Hamlin, Joseph P.
 Hatch, Silas B.
 Higginson, Thomas W.
 Hill, Hamilton A.
 Holman, William F.
 Hooper, Arthur.
 Howland, Charles W.
 Hughes, Atkins.
 Jenks, Henry B.
 Jones, Thomas B.
 Kelly, Francis B.
 Kelley, Watson B.
 Kendall, Ira Y.
 Lincoln, Clark.
 Livermore, George B.
 Lodge, Henry C.
 Look, Dwight B.
 Mackintosh, James.
 Mahoney, Patrick F.
 Marshall, Asaph R.
 McCullough, Thomas.
 McDonald, Patrick F.
 McFarlin, Peleg.
 McGahey, Alexander B.
 McGeough, James A.
 McManus, Edward.
 McSorley, John.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merritt, Christopher C.
 Miller, J. Hervey.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Morrison, Daniel T.
 Morse, George W.
 Mullane, Jeremiah H.
 Muzzey, Henry W.
 Nichols, Joseph J.
 Noyes, Increase E.
 O'Donnell, John.
 O'Neil, Joseph H.
 Packard, Davis S.
 Paddack, Henry.

Messrs. Parmenter, Charles O.	Messrs. Stevens, J. Tyler.
Peck, Chauncey E.	Stickney, Joseph W.
Phillips, Henry M.	Swift, Charles F.
Plunkett, Francis.	Tapley, Gilbert A.
Poor, Edward P.	Tappan, William H.
Porter, Burrill, jun.	Taylor, Levi.
Quirk, Dennis G.	Thayer, S. Proctor.
Rand, John C.	Thomas, Edward I.
Reade, John.	Tinkham, Benjamin C.
Reed, Charles A.	Tufts, Arthur W.
Richardson, Nath'l, jun.	Valpey, Samuel B.
Richardson, Solon O.	Vinal, Quincy A.
Robbins, Oliver W.	Vining, David T.
Root, Thomas P.	Walker, Aaron G.
Russell, William W.	Walker, Samuel.
Sanborn, John H.	Warren, Nathan.
Sawin, Otis D.	Webster, Edwin R.
Sawyer, Henry O.	Webster, John G.
Scott, Thomas.	Wells, Henry J.
Searles, George F.	White, James.
Shaw, Edward P.	White, Lloyd E.
Shepard, George A.	Whitney, Giles H.
Shepard, Harvey N.	Wilcox, Charles W.
Shores, Norman W.	Willcutt, Levi L.
Smith, Zenas E.	Wilson, Arthur H.
Sprague, Henry H.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.
Stanton, John.	Wood, Owen.
Steele, Isaac A. S.	Wright, John H.
Stevens, Ezra A.	

NATS.

Messrs. Almy, James F.	Messrs. Goulding, Robert.
Barton, Leonard.	Hayden, Edward D.
Bixby, Nelson H.	Hemphill, Ashton E.
Bowerman, Samuel W.	Hoar, Samuel.
Bradford, Martin L.	Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
Bumstead, Josiah.	Jefferson, Martin V. B.
Burr, Edwin S.	Jewett, Albert G.
Carpenter, Edward C.	Johnson, William.
Cogswell, William.	Keith, Albert.
Colton, John W.	Lawrence, Asa S.
Crowell, James A.	Learnard, George E.
Dever, John F.	Lyon, Henry.
Dunham, Henry J.	Mansfield, Andrew.
Eager, Edward R.	Milliken, Eben C.
Edwards, James.	Newell, Richard.
Fellows, Alonzo B.	Parratt, George A.
Freeman, Jesse H.	Porter, Vaniah M.
Gifford, Rufus B.	Rice, Frederick S.
Gilman, Thomas K.	Slocum, Henry A.

Messrs. Smith, Remember.	Messrs. Strong, Sidney.
Stevens, Edward G.	Tufts, Joseph A.
Stover, Augustus W.	Wardwell, Henry.
Stowe, Edmund M.	

Yeas, 161 ; nays, 45.

On this question Messrs. Howard of Fall River, and Sullivan of Middleborough, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Wales of Randolph and Hartwell of South-bridge.

At five o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 20, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill in addition to "An Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for other purposes." Read, and ordered to a second reading. Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Stevens of Clinton, from the committee on Military Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the report of the commissioners of State aid on the investigation of the claims of the surviving members, and the widows and children of deceased members, of the Eleventh and Twelfth Regiments Massachusetts Volunteers. (See House Doc. No. 398.) Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Eleventh and Twelfth Regiments.

Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Concerning costs under the trustee process ; and
To provide for the appointment of railroad police officers for the Troy and Greenfield Railroad ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ; and
In relation to prisoners sentenced to imprisonment in jail in Suffolk County ;
In relation to the auditing of the accounts of county officers ; and

Bills enacted.

To authorize the city of Salem to take certain flats in the North River ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in relation to the rights of Priscilla Freeman in lands bordering upon Tisbury Great Pond, and in relation to the present lease of said pond (which originated in the House), was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Associate medical examiner, Suffolk County.

On motion of Mr. Hill of Boston, the report of the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to fixing the salary of the associate medical examiner of Suffolk County, was discharged from the orders of the day, and, on further motion of the same gentleman, was recommitted to the committee on Finance.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The Bill relating to the transfer of stock in corporations was, on motion of Mr. Hill of Boston, recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the same committee.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to limiting the time within which one railroad corporation can lease to another, was further considered. Mr. Metcalf of Springfield moved to amend by substituting a "Bill in relation to the leasing of railroads." The motion was lost, and the report was accepted in concurrence.

Bills:

In relation to the jurisdiction of courts of insolvency in certain cases ;

To prevent the use of certain buildings, by clubs and other associations, for selling or dispensing intoxicating liquors without a license therefor ;

To determine the manner of electing trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ; and

To amend "An Act to provide for the enrolment of the militia, for the organization of the volunteer militia, and for the public defence" (amended on motion of Mr. Hayden of Woburn) ; and

Resolves :

In relation to regulating fares on railroads by statute ;
and

In favor of Eugene M. Dow ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed,
and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the town of East Bridgewater to pay certain bounties (amended on motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston) ;

To authorize the town of Wilmington to pay certain money to certain soldiers in the late war (amended on motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston) ;

To incorporate the Sesuet Cranberry Company ;

To establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampden ; and

Resolves :

In favor of the commissioners on contagious diseases among cattle ; and

Authorizing the attorney-general to discontinue a certain suit against the Boston and Albany Railroad Company on certain conditions ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To incorporate the East Haven Company ; and

To authorize the city of Salem to take certain flats in the North River ;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill to prohibit the improper use of money or other consideration for election purposes was read a third time, and considered. Various amendments moved by Messrs. Higginson of Cambridge, Merritt of Springfield, Wells of Cambridge, Cogswell of Salem, and Baker of Beverly, were adopted. On the main question on engrossment, the yeas and nays were ordered ; and, the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 73 yeas to 91 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, Frank D.
Ayer, Thomas P.
Baker, John I.
Baker, Thomas J.
Beckford, Ebenezer.

Messrs. Bidwell, Marshall S.
Bixby, Nelson H.
Bowerman, Samuel W.
Bryant, George T.
Burke, William J.

Messrs. Burpee, William H.	Messrs. McSorley, John.
Butler, John Haskell.	Merritt, Christopher C.
Cawley, Edward.	Nichols, Joseph J.
Chamberlain, George D.	Noyes, Increase E.
Coffin, Amos.	O'Donnell, John.
Collamore, Francis.	Parmenter, Charles O.
Colton, John W.	Peck, Chauncey E.
Coney, Hubert M.	Plunkett, Francis.
Corey, Charles A.	Porter, Charles H.
Cronin, Cornelius F.	Quirk, Dennis G.
Cushman, Solomon F.	Rand, John C.
Davenport, James F.	Reade, John.
Dever, John F.	Robbins, Oliver W.
Donovan, Daniel.	Russell, William W.
Dunham, Henry J.	Shepard, George A.
Eager, Edward R.	Shores, Norman W.
Fiske, George B.	Sprague, Henry H.
Forbes, William T.	Stanton, John.
Freeman, Jesse H.	Steele, Isaac A. S.
Gargan, Frank.	Stevens, Edward G.
Gifford, James E.	Stickney, Joseph W.
Gifford, Rufus B.	Sullivan, John C.
Gill, Charles L.	Thayer, S. Proctor.
Hadley, Stephen D.	Thomas, Edward I.
Hamlin, Joseph P.	Tufts, Joseph A.
Jefferson, Martin V. B.	Walker, Samuel.
Kelly, Francis B.	Warren, Nathan.
Learnard, George E.	Webster, John G.
Love, John J.	Wells, Henry J.
Mackintosh, James.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.
McGeough, James A.	Wood, Owen.
McManus, Edward.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.	Messrs. Clapp, Frank A.
Allen, Charles H.	Clark, William L.
Almy, James F.	Cogswell, William.
Ames, Edwin.	Coolidge, Timothy A.
Andrew, John F.	Crowell, James A.
Atwood, Newell S.	Curtis, Hiram.
Bail, George W.	Davis, Person.
Barton, Leonard.	Dickerman, John E.
Brown, Charles F.	Eddy, Charles A.
Brown, Leonard.	Fay, George F.
Buck, John W. P.	Floyd, Thomas.
Bugbee, James M.	Fowler, Charles B.
Bulloch, Andrew.	Fuller, Luther F.
Bumstead, Josiah.	Gaskill, Leonard T.
Burr, Edwin S.	Gilbert, Lucien M.

Messrs. Hartwell, Samuel C.	Messrs. Porter, Vaniah M.
Hatch, Silas B.	Prouty, Isaac L.
Hayden, Edward D.	Rice, Frederick S.
Hemphill, Ashton E.	Richardson, Nat'l, jun.
Hill, Hamilton A.	Richardson, Solon O.
Holman, William F.	Root, Thomas P.
Hooper, Arthur.	Sanborn, John H.
Hughes, Atkins.	Sawin, Otis D.
Jacobs, Joseph, jun.	Searles, George F.
Jewett, Albert G.	Shaw, Edward P.
Johnson, William.	Slocum, Henry A.
Kelley, Watson B.	Smith, Zenas E.
Kendall, Ira Y.	Snow, William O.
Lawrence, Asa S.	Stevens, Ezra A.
Lincoln, Clark.	Stevens, J. Tyler.
Livermore, George B.	Stover, Augustus W.
Lodge, Henry C.	Stowe, Edmund M.
Look, Dwight B.	Strong, Sidney.
Lyon, Henry.	Swift, Charles F.
Mansfield, Andrew.	Tapley, Gilbert A.
Marble, John W.	Valpey, Samuel B.
Marshall, Asaph R.	Vinal, Quincy A.
McFarlin, Peleg.	Vining, David T.
Metcalf, Edwin D.	Wales, Jonathan.
Milliken, Eben C.	Walker, Aaron G.
Morrison, Daniel T.	Webster, Edwin R.
Morse, George W.	White, Lloyd E.
Muzzey, Henry W.	Whitney, Giles H.
Newell, Richard.	Willcutt, Levi L.
Paddack, Henry.	Wilson, Arthur H.
Parratt, George A.	

Yeas, 73 ; nays, 91.

On this question Mr. Dorman of Belchertown, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, was paired with Mr. Sawyer of West Boylston.

Notice of the rejection of the bill was sent to the Senate.

The Senate Bill relative to the punishment of drunkenness was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Mo-Geough of Boston moved to amend by striking out all after the enacting clause, and substituting therefor the provisions of the "Bill to amend 'An Act relative to the punishment for drunkenness,'" printed as House Document No. 204. The motion prevailed, and the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence as amended, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Resolve in relation to dock and railroad terminal

facilities in the port of Boston was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to repeal "An Act to authorize the construction of a bridge over Green Harbor River in Marshfield" was further considered, and, after debate, was refused a third reading by a vote of 55 to 61.

The Bill in relation to the bridge of the Boston and Maine Railroad over the Merrimack River at Haverhill was read a third time, and considered.

Question of
order.

Mr. Cogswell of Salem moved to amend by inserting a new section requiring the Boston and Maine Railroad to establish a foot-way over its bridge. Mr. Brackett of Boston raised the question of order that the amendment was not germane to the bill. The Chair ruled that the point was well taken, and the amendment was laid aside.

Ibid.

Mr. Cogswell then raised the question of order that the first section of the bill provided for action not embraced in the petitions on which it was reported, and was therefore improperly in the bill. The Chair, without examination of the question on its merits, ruled that the objection was not seasonably raised, the bill having been before the House on its several stages, and the question now being on its engrossment.

Mr. Cogswell then moved to amend the bill by inserting the same section he had previously moved, modified so as to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to establish a foot-way over its bridge at Haverhill, instead of requiring the road so to do. No objection being made, the question was put, and the amendment was adopted.

The bill as amended was then passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in relation to elevators was further considered. An amendment moved by Mr. Ames of Worcester was adopted; and pending the consideration of amendments moved by Mr. Peck of Wilbraham, and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House,

At five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 21, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

A Resolve in favor of the Tucker Manufacturing Company, reported on a petition, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance. Tucker Manufacturing Company.

Bills:

To authorize the town of Northampton to adopt and execute the provisions of the will of Charles E. Forbes; Will of Charles E. Forbes.
and

To incorporate the Forbes Library in Northampton; Forbes Library.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills:

Concerning the trial of causes of divorce, and the right to marry of parties against whom a divorce has been granted (reported on a portion of the Governor's address and several petitions); and Divorce.

To require the Housatonic Railroad Company to construct a station at Stockbridge (reported on a bill on leave); Railroad station at Stockbridge.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Notice was received from the Senate that the petition of the Mercantile Marine Insurance Company of Boston, for a change of corporate name, had been referred by that branch, in non-concurrence, to the next General Court, under the 10th joint Rule. Mercantile Marine Insurance Company.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Hoar of Concord moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the Bill to repeal "An Act to authorize the construction of a bridge over Green Harbor River in Marshfield." The motion prevailed, and, the question recurring on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was carried, and the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 111 to 64, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Green Harbor River.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The Bill in relation to elevators was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Amendments moved by Mr. Peck of Wilbraham were lost, and after debate the bill was rejected, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Bill in addition to "An Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for other purposes;" and the

Resolve in relation to dock and railroad terminal facilities in the port of Boston (amended on motion of Mr. Hill of Boston by substituting therefor a resolve with a similar title, and printed as House Document No. 895);

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to advertising applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors, and restricting the granting of such licenses, was read a third time, and considered. Amendments moved by Mr. Cogswell of Salem were adopted, and, on the main question on engrossment, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. O'Neil of Boston; and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed by a vote of 154 yeas to 50 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.
Allen, Charles H.
Almy, James F.
Ames, Edwin.
Andrew, John F.
Avery, Winslow W.
Ayer, Thomas P.
Bail, George W.
Bailey, Thomas F.
Baker, John I.
Baker, Thomas J.
Barton, Leonard.
Beckford, Ebenezer.
Bosworth, Edwin R.
Brackett, John Q. A.
Brown, Charles F.
Brown, Edward P.
Brown, Leonard.
Bryant, George T.
Buck, John W. P.

Messrs. Budington, Jonathan.
Bugbee, James M.
Burpee, William H.
Burr, Edwin S.
Butler, Edward P.
Butler, John Haskell.
Canterbury, Nathan D.
Carleton, George H.
Chamberlain, George D.
Clapp, Frank A.
Coffin, Amos.
Cogswell, William.
Collamore, Francis.
Coney, Hubert M.
Coolidge, Timothy A.
Corey, Charles A.
Crowell, James A.
Curtis, Hiram.
Cushman, Solomon F.
Davenport, James F.

Messrs. Davis, Person.

Dorman, Asahel H.
 Eager, Edward R.
 Eddy, Charles A.
 Farrar, Job P.
 Fellows, Alonzo B.
 Fiske, George B.
 Floyd, Thomas.
 Forbes, William T.
 Foster, Enoch.
 Fowler, Charles B.
 French, Hartwell S.
 Fuller, Luther F.
 Gaskill, Leonard T.
 Gifford, James E.
 Gifford, Rufus B.
 Gilbert, Lucien M.
 Gill, Charles L.
 Gilman, Thomas K.
 Hadley, Stephen D.
 Hale, Silas W.
 Hartwell, Samuel C.
 Hayden, Edward D.
 Higginson, Thomas W.
 Hill, Hamilton A.
 Hoar, Samuel.
 Hooper, Arthur.
 Howard, Robert.
 Howland, Charles W.
 Hughes, Atkins.
 Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
 Jefferson, Martin V. B.
 Jewett, Albert G.
 Johnson, William.
 Jones, Thomas B.
 Keith, Albert.
 Kelley, Watson B.
 Kendall, Ira Y.
 Lawrence, Asa S.
 Learnard, George E.
 Lincoln, Clark.
 Lodge, Henry C.
 Look, Dwight B.
 Lyon, Henry.
 Mackintosh, James.
 Mansfield, Andrew.
 Marble, John W.
 Marshall, Asaph R.
 McFarlin, Peleg.
 Metcalf, Edwin D.

Messrs. Miller, J. Hervey.

Morrison, Daniel T.
 Muzzey, Henry W.
 Newell, Richard.
 Packard, Davis S.
 Parmenter, Charles O.
 Parratt, George A.
 Peck, Chauncey E.
 Phillips, Henry M.
 Porter, Burrill, jun.
 Porter, Charles H.
 Porter, Vaniah M.
 Prouty, Isaac L.
 Rand, John C.
 Reed, Charles A.
 Rice, Frederick S.
 Richardson, Nat'l, jun.
 Richardson, Solon O.
 Root, Thomas P.
 Sanborn, John H.
 Sawin, Otis D.
 Sawyer, Henry O.
 Scott, Thomas.
 Searles, George F.
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Shepard, George A.
 Sheppard, Joel F.
 Slocum, Henry A.
 Smith, Remember.
 Smith, Zenas E.
 Snow, William O.
 Sprague, Henry H.
 Stevens, Edward G.
 Stevens, Ezra A.
 Stevens, J. Tyler.
 Stickney, Joseph W.
 Stover, Augustus W.
 Stowe, Edmund M.
 Strong, Sidney.
 Sullivan, John C.
 Swift, Charles F.
 Tapley, Gilbert A.
 Tappan, William H.
 Taylor, Levi.
 Thomas, Edward I.
 Tufts, Arthur W.
 Tufts, Joseph A.
 Valpey, Samuel B.
 Vining, David T.
 Wales, Jonathan.

Messrs. Walker, Aaron G.	Messrs. Whitney, Giles H.
Wardwell, Henry.	Whitney, Levi L.
Warren, Nathan.	Wilcox, Charles W.
Webster, Edwin R.	Willcutt, Levi L.
Webster, John G.	Wilson, Arthur H.
Wells, Henry J.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.
White, Lloyd E.	Wood, Owen.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bixby, Nelson H.	Messrs. Mahoney, Patrick F.
Bowerman, Samuel W.	McCullough, Thomas.
Bulloch, Andrew.	McDonald, Patrick F.
Bumstead, Josiah.	McGahay, Alexander B.
Burke, William J.	McGeough, James A.
Burr, Frank W.	McManus, Edward.
Burt, George L.	McSorley, John.
Cannon, Peter.	Mellen, James H.
Carpenter, Edward C.	Merritt, Christopher C.
Carroll, Lewis.	Milliken, Eben C.
Clarke, Albert E.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Cronin, Cornelius F.	Mullane, Jeremiah H.
Dever, John F.	Nichols, Joseph J.
Donovan, Daniel.	O'Donnell, John.
Dunham, Henry J.	Paddack, Henry.
Fay, George F.	Plunkett, Francis.
Fay, Thomas, jun.	Quirk, Dennis G.
Gargan, Frank.	Reade, John.
Goodwin, John.	Robbins, Oliver W.
Goulding, Robert.	Shores, Norman W.
Joyce, John.	Stanton, John.
Kelly, Francis B.	Vinal, Quincy A.
Lamb, Abraham J.	Walker, Samuel.
Livermore, George B.	White, James.
Love, John J.	Wright, John H.

Yeas, 154; nays, 50.

On this question Messrs. Evans of Taunton, I. E. Noyes of Boston, and Colton of Westfield, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Steele of Gloucester, O'Neil of Boston, and Murphy of Boston.

The Bill relative to abandoned animals was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Shores of Lee, passed to be engrossed as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of apothecaries was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, and the consideration of several amendments moved, the bill was,

on motion of Mr. Lyon of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

The Bill to amend "An Act relating to the salaries and compensation of the persons employed in the secretary's department" was read a third time, and considered, and, after extended debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on the main question, at the request of Mr. Jefferson of Worcester; and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed by a vote of 76 yeas to 73 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.

Almy, James F.
Baker, Thomas J.
Brown, Leonard.
Buck, John W. P.
Bugbee, James M.
Bumstead, Josiah.
Burke, William J.
Burt, George L.
Butler, Edward P.
Butler, John Haskell.
Cannon, Peter.
Carroll, Lewis.
Chamberlain, George D.
Clarke, Albert E.
Cogswell, William.
Coney, Hubert M.
Dever, John F.
Dunham, Henry J.
Eddy, Charles A.
Farrar, Job P.
Fay, Thomas, jun.
Forbes, William T.
Foster, Enoch.
Fuller, Luther F.
Galvin, Owen A.
Gargan, Frank.
Goodwin, John.
Hadley, Stephen D.
Hartwell, Samuel C.
Hayden, Edward D.
Hill, Hamilton A.
Hoar, Samuel.
Hooper, Arthur.
Hughes, Atkins.
Kelly, Francis B.

Messrs. Learnard, George E.

Livermore, George B.
Lodge, Henry C.
Love, John J.
Lyon, Henry.
McSorley, John.
Merritt, Christopher C.
Metcalf, Edwin D.
Muzzey, Henry W.
Nichols, Joseph J.
O'Donnell, John.
Phillips, Henry M.
Porter, Burrill, jun.
Reade, John.
Root, Thomas P.
Sanborn, John H.
Sawin, Otis D.
Scott, Thomas.
Shepard, George A.
Sheppard, Joel F.
Sprague, Henry H.
Stanton, John.
Stevens, Ezra A.
Stickney, Joseph W.
Stover, Augustus W.
Sullivan, John C.
Swift, Charles F.
Thomas, Edward I.
Thompson, Joseph W.
Tufts, Arthur W.
Vinal, Quincy A.
Vining, David T.
Wales, Jonathan.
Warren, Nathan.
Webster, Edwin B.
Wells, Henry J.

Messrs. White, James.
White, Lloyd E.

Messrs. Whitney, Giles H.
Willcutt, Levi L.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ames, Edwin.
Ayer, Thomas P.
Bail, George W.
Bailey, Thomas F.
Baker, John I.
Barton, Leonard.
Beckford, Ebenczer.
Bosworth, Edwin R.
Brackett, John Q. A.
Brown, Edward P.
Bryant, George T.
Burpee, William H.
Canterbury, Nathan D.
Carleton, George H.
Carpenter, Edward C.
Clapp, Frank A.
Corey, Charles A.
Crowell, James A.
Curtis, Hiram.
Cushman, Solomon F.
Donovan, Daniel.
Dorman, Asahel H.
Eager, Edward R.
Fay, George F.
Gilbert, Lucien M.
Gill, Charles L.
Gilman, Thomas K.
Goulding, Robert.
Hemphill, Ashton E.
Higginson, Thomas W.
Holman, William F.
Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
Jefferson, Martin V. B.
Jewett, Albert G.
Johnson, William.
Jones, Thomas B.
Kelley, Watson B.

Kendall, Ira Y.
Lamb, Abraham J.
Lincoln, Clark.
Look, Dwight B.
Mackintosh, James.
Mansfield, Andrew.
Marshall, Asaph R.
McCullough, Thomas.
McGahey, Alexander B.
McGeough, James A.
O'Neil, Joseph H.
Paddack, Henry.
Parmenter, Charles O.
Parratt, George A.
Peck, Chauncey E.
Plunkett, Francis.
Poor, Edward P.
Porter, Charles H.
Porter, Vaniah M.
Rice, Frederick S.
Richardson, Nat'l, jun.
Richardson, Solon O.
Robbins, Oliver W.
Sawyer, Henry O.
Shores, Norman W.
Slocum, Henry A.
Smith, Remember.
Smith, Zenas E.
Stowe, Edmund M.
Strong, Sidney.
Tapley, Gilbert A.
Tufts, Joseph A.
Walker, Aaron G.
Walker, Samuel.
Whitney, Levi L.
Wood, Owen.

Yeas, 76; nays, 73.

On this question Messrs. Searles of Northbridge, Andrew of Boston, Rand of Medford, Wilcox of Milford, Wardwell of Peabody, Newell of West Newbury, Gaskill of Blackstone, Allen of Lynn, and J. G. Webster of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Clark of

Worcester, Hale of Milford, Bixby of Adams, Wilson of Boston, Burr of Worthington, Snow of Raynham, Stevens of Clinton, Gifford of Falmouth, and Cronin of Boston.

At seven minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 22, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Howard of Fall River, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (recommitted) to regulate the hours of labor of females and minors in manufacturing establishments ought to pass in a new draft with the same title (Messrs. Wiley and Ray of the Senate, and Messrs. Peck of Wilbraham, Eddy of Erving, and Cushman of Monson, of the House, dissenting.) Read, and ordered to a second reading. Ten-hour law.

By Mr. Morse of Newton, from the committee on Towns, that the Bill (on leave) to authorize the town of Beverly to refund its indebtedness ought to pass. Beverly debt.

By Mr. Andrew of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to ordinances of the city of Boston ought to pass. Boston city ordinances.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Papers from the Senate.

The report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Boston for such amendment to chapter 197 of the Acts of the year 1880, relative to means of egress from manufacturing establishments, that it shall not apply to the city of Boston, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday. Egress from manufacturing establishments in Boston.

A Bill relating to screens and other obstructions upon premises in which intoxicating liquor is sold, reported on a portion of the Governor's address, and a bill on leave, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading. Screen bill

Natick — first
district court of
Southern Middle-
sex.

The House Bill to set off the town of Natick from the jurisdiction of the first district court of Southern Middlesex came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment striking out section 3, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule; and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

In relation to conditional sales of personal property (which originated in the House); and

To incorporate the East Haven Company; and

In addition to "An Act to provide for the management of the Hoosac Tunnel and the Troy and Greenfield Railroad;"

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Yorktown.

The Resolve relative to the centennial celebration at Yorktown was, on motion of Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Shanly.

The Resolve in favor of Walter Shanly was, on motion of Mr. Bixby of Adams, discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Orders of the Day.

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day.

Bills:

To establish the salary of the standing justice of the police court in Lee;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the first district court of Plymouth County;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the East Boston district in the city of Boston;

To establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court in the city of Newton; and

To establish the salaries of certain standing justices of

the district courts in the county of Worcester (amended on motion of Mr. Gifford of Salem); and the

Resolve authorizing the attorney-general to discontinue a certain suit against the Boston and Albany Railroad Company on certain conditions;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court in the city of Lynn was read a third time, and, after debate, was rejected. Subsequently, Mr. Lodge of Nahant moved to lay the orders of the day on the table, which motion was adopted. The same gentleman then moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House rejected the bill. The motion prevailed, and, the question recurring on the engrossment of the bill, it was carried, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the standing justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district in the city of Boston was read a third time, and, after debate, was rejected by a vote of 61 to 84.

The Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the first district court of Bristol County was read a third time, and, after debate, was rejected by a vote of 63 to 63.

The Bill relating to the appointment of constables for certain municipal courts in the city of Boston was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to establish the salary of the treasurer of Plymouth County was read a third time, and, after debate, was rejected by a vote of 54 to 64; and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Bill establishing the salaries of the extra clerks in the auditor's department was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Hill of Boston by substituting therefor a "Bill establishing the salaries of the extra clerks in the auditor's and treasurer's departments," and as amended was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of apothecaries was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Several amendments were adopted, and after debate the bill as amended was recommitted to the committee on Public Health.

The Bill to establish the salaries of the auditor of ac-

counts and the secretary of the Commonwealth was read a third time, and considered. Mr. Whitney of Winchendon asked for a division of the question, so that he might vote on the salary of each of the officials named in the bill separately. The Chair (Mr. Speaker Noyes) stated that the request would be considered at the proper time.

Mr. Nichols of Lawrence moved that the bill be amended by striking out the provision relative to the auditor of accounts.

After extended debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. McSorley of Cambridge; and, the vote being taken on the amendment moved by Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, it was rejected.

Question of order.

The main question being then stated, "Shall the bill pass to be engrossed?" (Mr. Wardwell of Peabody having been called to the chair) Mr. Cogswell of Salem rose to a point of order that the question should be divided, as requested by Mr. Whitney of Winchendon. The Chair ruled that the point was not well taken, the question now pending (it being on the engrossment of the bill) not being divisible. Also, that in voting on the amendment moved by Mr. Nichols of Lawrence, the House had had submitted to it the division asked for by Mr. Whitney of Winchendon; and having refused to strike out the provision relating to the auditor of accounts, the question could not be again taken on that proposition, except after reconsideration.

The question was then put, "Shall the bill pass to be engrossed?" and it was negatived. The vote was doubted, and, on request of Mr. Robbins of Pittsfield, the verification of the vote by a call of the yeas and nays was ordered.

Question of order.

Mr. Cogswell of Salem again asked if there were not some way in which a division of the question could be had. Mr. Andrew of Boston moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the yeas and nays were ordered. Mr. Reed of Taunton raised the point of order that the vote whereby the yeas and nays were ordered could not be reconsidered. The Chair ruled that the point was not well taken; and, the question being put, the motion to reconsider was lost.

The roll was then called on the main question of the engrossment of the bill, and it was rejected by a vote of 51 yeas to 130 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Almy, James F.
 Avery, Winslow W.
 Baker, Thomas J.
 Brown, Charles F.
 Brown, Leonard.
 Bugbee, James M.
 Burr, Frank W.
 Burt, George L.
 Butler, John Haskell.
 Chamberlain, George D.
 Cogswell, William.
 Collamore, Francis.
 Colton, John W.
 Coolidge, Timothy A.
 Dickerman, John E.
 Dunham, Henry J.
 Farrar, Job P.
 Forbes, William T.
 Fowler, Charles B.
 French, Hartwell S.
 Fuller, Luther F.
 Gargan, Frank.
 Gaskill, Leonard T.
 Hadley, Stephen D.
 Hamlin, Joseph P.
 Hartwell, Samuel C.

Messrs. Hayden, Edward D.
 Hill, Hamilton A.
 Hooper, Arthur.
 Howland, Charles W.
 Hughes, Atkins.
 Joyce, John.
 Kelly, Francis B.
 Livermore, George B.
 Love, John J.
 Lyon, Henry.
 Mahoney, Patrick F.
 Merritt, Christopher C.
 Morse, George W.
 Muzzey, Henry W.
 Newell, Richard.
 Nichols, Joseph J.
 Phillips, Henry M.
 Quirk, Dennis G.
 Rand, John C.
 Sanborn, John H.
 Thayer, S. Proctor.
 Thompson, Joseph W.
 Warren, Nathan.
 Wilcox, Charles W.
 Willcutt, Levi L.

NAYS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.
 Allen, Charles H.
 Ames, Edwin.
 Andrew, John F.
 Ayer, Thomas P.
 Bail, George W.
 Bailey, Thomas F.
 Baker, John I.
 Beckford, Ebenezer.
 Bidwell, Marshall S.
 Bixby, Nelson H.
 Bosworth, Edwin R.
 Bowerman, Samuel W.
 Brackett, John Q. A.
 Bryant, George T.
 Budington, Jonathan.
 Bulloch, Andrew.
 Bumstead, Josiah.
 Burpee, William H.
 Burr, Edwin S.

Messrs. Canterbury, Nathan D.
 Carleton, George H.
 Carroll, Lewis.
 Cawley, Edward.
 Clapp, Frank A.
 Clark, William L.
 Clarke, Albert E.
 Coffin, Amos.
 Coney, Hubert M.
 Corey, Charles A.
 Cronin, Cornelius F.
 Crowell, James A.
 Cushman, Solomon F.
 Davis, Person.
 Dever, John F.
 Donovan, Daniel.
 Dorman, Asahel H.
 Eager, Edward R.
 Edwards, James.
 Evans, James M.

Messrs. Fay, George F.	Messrs. O'Donnell, John.
Fay, Thomas, jun.	Packard, Davis S.
Fellows, Alonzo B.	Paddack, Henry.
Fernald, B. Marvin.	Parmenter, Charles O.
Fifield, Benjamin L.	Parratt, George A.
Fiske, George B.	Peck, Chauncey E.
Floyd, Thomas.	Plunkett, Francis.
Foster, Enoch.	Poor, Edward P.
Freeman, Jesse H.	Prouty, Isaac L.
Gifford, Rufus B.	Reade, John.
Gilbert, Lucien M.	Reed, Charles A.
Gill, Charles L.	Rice, Frederick S.
Gilman, Thomas K.	Richardson, Nat'l, jun.
Goodwin, John.	Richardson, Solon O.
Goulding, Robert.	Robbins, Oliver W.
Hale, Silas W.	Root, Thomas P.
Hatch, Silas B.	Sawin, Otis D.
Hemphill, Ashton E.	Sawyer, Henry O.
Higginson, Thomas W.	Shepard, George A.
Holman, William F.	Shores, Norman W.
Howard, Robert.	Slocum, Henry A.
Jacobs, Joseph, jun.	Smith, Remember.
Jefferson, Martin V. B.	Smith, Zenas E.
Jenks, Henry R.	Snow, William O.
Johnson, William.	Sprague, Henry H.
Jones, Thomas B.	Steele, Isaac A. S.
Kelley, Watson B.	Stevens, Ezra A.
Kendall, Ira Y.	Stevens, J. Tyler.
Lawrence, Asa S.	Stowe, Edmund M.
Learnard, George E.	Strong, Sidney.
Lincoln, Clark.	Tapley, Gilbert A.
Lodge, Henry C.	Tappan, William H.
Look, Dwight B.	Taylor, Levi.
Mansfield, Andrew.	Tufts, Arthur W.
Marble, John W.	Valpey, Samuel B.
Marshall, Asaph R.	Vinal, Quincy A.
McDonald, Patrick F.	Walker, Aaron G.
McFarlin, Peleg.	Walker, Samuel.
McGeough, James A.	Webster, Edwin R.
McManus, Edward.	Wells, Henry J.
McSorley, John.	Whitney, Giles H.
Miller, J. Hervey.	Whitney, Levi L.
Milliken, Eben C.	Wilson, Arthur H.
Morrison, Daniel T.	Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.
Noyes, Increase E.	Wood, Owen.

Yeas, 51 ; nays, 130.

On this question Messrs. Galvin of Boston, Stanton of Fall River, and Thomas of Brookline, who, it was

announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. O'Neil of Boston, McCullough of Boston, and Mackintosh of Needham. Notice of the rejection was sent to the Senate.

At five o'clock adjourned.

MONDAY, April 25, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, a Resolve in favor of Charles F. Folsom. Read, referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Charles F. Folsom.

Report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

The twelfth annual report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor was received, and referred, under the 10th joint Rule, to the next General Court.

Bureau of statistics.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill to abate a nuisance in the city of Boston, and for the preservation of the public health in said city, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Boston—a nuisance.

The Senate Bill relative to the punishment for drunkenness, passed to be engrossed by the House in concurrence, with an amendment, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment, came down with the indorsement thereon that the Senate non-concurred, and asked for a committee of conference, Messrs. Tirrell, Abbott, and Hannum being appointed the committee on its part. The House concurred, and Messrs. McGeough of Boston, Bugbee of Boston, and Forbes of Westborough were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Drunkenness.

A communication from the Governor, informing the Legislature of the death of the Hon. William O. Taylor of Boston, councillor of the Second Councillor District, was received from the Senate, and was read.

Reconsideration.

Justice of
Charlestown
district court.

Mr. Lyon of Boston moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House on Friday last rejected the Bill to establish the salary of the standing justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district in the city of Boston. The motion prevailed, and, the question recurring on the engrossment of the bill, it was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

First district
court of Bristol.

Mr. White of Taunton moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House on Friday last rejected the Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the first district court of Bristol County. The motion prevailed, and, the question recurring on the engrossment of the bill, it was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

W. Shanly.

On motion of Mr. Fiske of Holliston, the House reconsidered the vote whereby the Resolve in favor of Walter Shanly was postponed for consideration until next Tuesday; and, on the recurring question on postponement, Mr. Fiske moved to amend by substituting "Thursday" for "Tuesday;" which amendment was carried, and the bill was postponed for consideration until Thursday next, to be placed first in the orders for that day, pending the question on ordering to a third reading.

Auditor and
secretary.

Mr. Andrew of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House on Friday last rejected the Bill to establish the salaries of the auditor of accounts and the secretary of the Commonwealth. The motion was lost.

Taken from the Table.

Equity.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the Bill concerning jurisdiction in equity was taken from the table, and was, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Reports of Committees.

A. J. Water-
man.

By Mr. Prouty of Spencer, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Andrew J. Waterman ought to pass.

Salem Normal
School.

By Mr. J. G. Webster of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the Salem Normal School ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Brown of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (recommitted) fixing upon county commissioners the power of exempting railroads from the responsibility of fencing their locations ought not to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on its rejection.

Fencing of railroads.

Orders of the Day.

The Resolve relative to the centennial celebration at Yorktown was further considered, amended on motion of Messrs. Hoar of Concord and Muzzey of Cambridge, and was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the day.

The Senate Bill concerning the returns made to the insurance commissioner by life-insurance companies was read a third time, and, after debate, was rejected, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take and hold land and other property for a landing for the East Boston ferries was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday.

The Bill relating to the impanelling of juries was, on motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill concerning Alewife Brook and certain sewers in Cambridge and Somerville was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Chamberlain of Cambridge, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday.

The Bill relieving property from double taxation in certain cases was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Fernald of Melrose, postponed for further consideration until next Wednesday, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the report of the commissioners of State aid, on the investigation of the claims of the surviving members, and the widows and children of deceased members, of the Eleventh and Twelfth Regiments, M. V. M.,

was, on motion of Mr. McGeough of Boston, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Boston for amendment of the law relative to means of egress from manufacturing establishments, was accepted in concurrence.

Bills:

To establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district in the city of Boston;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the secretary of the Board of Agriculture;

To establish the salaries of district attorneys;

To authorize the establishment and maintenance of dog-shelter by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in the city of Boston (amended on motion of Mr. McSorley of Cambridge);

To authorize the town of Wilmington to pay certain money to certain soldiers in the late war;

To incorporate the Sesuet Cranberry Company; and

In addition to "An Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for other purposes;" and the

Resolve in favor of the commissioners on contagious diseases among cattle;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To establish boards of visiting physicians for State lunatic-hospitals;

To require the Housatonic Railroad Company to construct a station at Stockbridge;

Relating to ordinances of the city of Boston; and

To authorize the town of Beverly to refund its indebtedness;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the town of East Bridgewater to pay certain bounties was read a third time, and, after debate, was rejected. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, the orders of the day were laid on the table. The same gentleman then moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House had rejected the bill. The motion was carried, and, the question recurring on

passing the bill to be engrossed, it prevailed; and the bill was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At five minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 26, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, was, at his request, laid over until to-morrow:—

Discharge of
certain em-
ployés in Fall
River.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary investigate the case of certain employés of Fall River who were discharged for testifying before a committee of the House.

Resolutions of Respect on the Death of Hon. William O. Taylor.

Mr. Learnard of Boston offered the following resolutions, which were read, and unanimously adopted by a rising vote:—

Resolved, That we have learned with profound sorrow the death of Hon. WILLIAM O. TAYLOR, member of the Executive Council, and desire to place on record an expression of our high appreciation of his valuable public service, and our esteem for him as a man.

Hon. William
O. Taylor.

Resolved, That we extend to his afflicted family our deep sympathy in this hour of their sad bereavement.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing be sent to the family of the deceased.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill relative to clerical assistance in the office of the chief of the district police (reported on a portion of the Governor's address), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Chief of dis-
trict police.

A Bill in addition to and amendment of the several acts providing for the regulation and inspection of buildings, the more effectual prevention of fire, and the better preservation of life and property in the city of Boston,

Boston fire laws.

Railroad fares. In relation to regulating fares on railroads by statute; and

A. E. Palmer. In favor of Adelaide E. Palmer.

Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted. Engrossed bills:
To require the Housatonic Railroad Company to construct a station at Stockbridge; and
Relating to ordinances of the city of Boston;
(Which severally originated in the Senate);
Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed. Engrossed resolves:
In relation to a reformatory for male prisoners (which originated in the House);
In favor of the Salem Normal School; and
In favor of Andrew J. Waterman;
(Which severally originated in the Senate);
Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Special justices. By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House should concur in the Senate amendments to the House Bill to amend "An Act to establish the compensation of the special justices of the police and district courts in the Commonwealth." Read, and accepted under suspension of the rule, and the House concurred in the amendments. The bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Judgment-debtors. By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the same committee, that the House should concur in the Senate amendment at "A" to the House Bill concerning judgment-debtors, and non-concur in the amendment at "B." Read, and accepted under suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

First clerk in secretary's department. By Mr. Foster of Tewksbury, from the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (re-committed) relative to the salary of the first clerk and deputy-clerk in the secretary's department.

Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad. By Mr. Thayer of North Adams, from the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the management of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to amend "An Act to abolish the office of coroner, and to provide for medical examinations and inquests in cases of death by violence," ought not to pass. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Medical exam-
iners.

By Mr. Stevens of Malden, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the Tucker Manufacturing Company ought to pass (Messrs. Hill and Tufts of Boston and Davenport of Fall River, dissenting).

Tucker Manu-
facturing Com-
pany.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to authorize the town of Northampton to adopt and execute the provisions of the will of Charles E. Forbes ought to pass.

Northampton —
Charles E.
Forbes's will.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to incorporate the Forbes Library in Northampton ought to pass.

Forbes Library.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for certain improvements of the State House ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

State House.

By Mr. Milliken of New Bedford, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, that the Resolve (on leave) in favor of Charles F. Folsom ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Charles F. Fol-
som.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading, Rule 42 having been suspended, on motion of Mr. Hill of Boston, in the case of the last-named resolve.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John I. Baker for State aid for the widow and minor children of George A. Flint, late of the Fiftieth Regiment, M.V.M., was taken from the table, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

George A. Flint.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, the report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation to prevent the pol-

Pollution of
streams.

lution of natural streams and water-courses by sewage or other substances, was taken from the table, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Lexington Water Company.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill to incorporate the Lexington Water Company was taken from the table, and was, pending the question on its engrossment, placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Savings-banks deposits.

On motion of Mr. Phillips of Springfield, the Bill relating to the taxation of deposits in savings banks was taken from the table, and was, pending the question on its engrossment, placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow on further motion of the same gentleman.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take and hold land and other property for a landing for the East Boston ferries was further considered, and was, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill concerning Alewife Brook and certain sewers in Cambridge and Somerville was further considered, amended on motions of Messrs. Chamberlain of Cambridge and Vinal of Somerville, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, as amended, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

Bills:

To regulate the hours of labor of females and minors in manufacturing and mechanical establishments ;

Relating to screens and other obstructions upon premises in which intoxicating liquor is sold ;

To abate a nuisance in the city of Boston, and for the preservation of the public health in said city ;

To incorporate the Hygiene League Co-operative ; and

To incorporate the Ocean Terminal Railroad Dock and Elevator Company ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill fixing upon county commissioners the power of exempting railroads from the responsibility of fencing their locations was considered, and rejected as recommended by the committee on Railroads, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to establish boards of visiting physicians for State lunatic-hospitals was read a third time, and was, pending the question on its engrossment, recommitted to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the members of the Worcester Light Infantry for correction of certain records in the office of the adjutant-general, was accepted in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the sale of public buildings in Adams, and for other purposes, was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day being laid on the table, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Resolve confirming the acts of Thomas Flatley as a justice of the peace was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day being laid on the table, the resolve was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in relation to dock and railroad terminal facilities in the port of Boston (amended on motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly); and the

Bill relating to the appointment of constables for certain municipal courts in the city of Boston;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Resolves:

In favor of the Salem Normal School; and

In favor of Andrew J. Waterman;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The motion of Mr. Stevens of Malden to reconsider the vote whereby the House on Monday, April 25, passed to be engrossed the Resolve relative to the centennial celebration at Yorktown, was further considered, and, after debate, was adopted. Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the resolve, Mr. Thomas of Brookline moved that the clerk be directed to request the return of the resolve from the Senate, it having been sent up for concurrence in its engrossment. Subsequently, a message was received from the Senate returning the resolve to the House.

Mr. Baker of Beverly then moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House yesterday adopted the amendment moved by Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, changing the sum allowed in the resolve from ten thousand to twenty thousand dollars. The motion prevailed, and, the question recurring on the adoption of the amendment, it was lost. The bill was then passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill concerning the trial of causes of divorce, and the right to marry of parties against whom a divorce has been granted, was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill-relieving property from double taxation in certain cases was further considered, the question being on engrossment. Amendments moved by Messrs. Wells of Cambridge and Bugbee of Boston were adopted, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed by a vote of 115 to 57, and sent up for concurrence.

At five minutes before five o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 28, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Quincy, —

Executive councillor.

Ordered, That the hour of half-past two on Tuesday, May 3, be assigned for the election, on the part of the House, of an executive councillor to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Hon. William O. Taylor of Boston.

Committee on Prorogation Appointed.

Prorogation.

The Speaker appointed the following-named gentlemen the committee, on the part of the House, on the prorogation of the Legislature, under the order adopted in concurrence with the Senate: —

Messrs. Cogswell of Salem, Bowerman of Pittsfield, Bugbee of Boston, Hoar of Concord, Milliken of New Bedford.

Paper from the Senate.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill to determine the manner of electing trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College had been rejected by that branch.

Agricultural
College.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To prevent the use of buildings by clubs and other associations for selling or dispensing intoxicating liquors in certain cities and towns;

To authorize the town of Beverly to refund its indebtedness; and

To amend "An Act to establish the compensation of the special justices of the police and district courts in the Commonwealth;"

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order, a Bill to provide for an associate medical examiner in the county of Suffolk.

Associate medi-
cal examiner—
Suffolk.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Labor, that the Senate Bill (recommitted) to amend "An Act concerning co-operative saving-fund and loan associations" ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Co-operative
associations.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wells of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, that the House should concur in the Senate amendments to the House Bill concerning the examination of debtors and witnesses in proceedings in insolvency, and the discharge of insolvent debtors. Read, and accepted under suspension of the rule. The House concurred in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Debtors and
witnesses in
insolvency.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Sawin of Templeton, the Resolve in favor of Walter Shanly was discharged from the orders of the day, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 3, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

W. Shanly.

Lexington Water Company.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, the Bill to incorporate the Lexington Water Company was discharged from the orders of the day, and considered. Mr. Wilson moved certain amendments, which were adopted, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Savings-bank deposits.

On motion of Mr. Fernald of Melrose, the Bill relating to the taxation of deposits in savings banks was discharged from the orders of the day, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John I. Baker for State aid for the widow and minor children of George A. Flint, late of the Fiftieth Regiment, M.V.M., was considered, and, after debate, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence, a motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly, to amend by substituting a resolve, having been rejected by a vote of 59 to 69.

The report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation to prevent the pollution of natural streams and water-courses by sewage or other substances, was considered, and, after debate, was accepted in concurrence, a motion of Mr. Hartwell of Southbridge to substitute a bill having been lost.

Reports:

Of the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to the salary of the first clerk and deputy-clerk in the secretary's department; and

Of the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the management of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in favor of the Tucker Manufacturing Company was read a second time, and, after debate, was refused a third reading by a vote of 40 to 106.

The Resolve providing for certain improvements of the State House was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend "An Act to abolish the office of coroner, and to provide for medical examinations and inquests in cases of death by violence," was considered, and, after debate, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Finance, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Resolve in favor of Charles F. Folsom was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day being on the table, the resolve was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To authorize the town of Northampton to adopt and execute the provisions of the will of Charles E. Forbes; and

To incorporate the Forbes Library in Northampton;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day being laid on the table, the bills were severally read a third time, under suspension of the rule, and were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bills:

Relating to screens and other obstructions upon premises in which intoxicating liquor is sold; and

To abate a nuisance in the city of Boston, and for the preservation of the public health in said city;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take and hold land and other property for a landing for the East Boston ferries was considered, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Burke of Boston, laid on the table.

The Bill concerning the trial of causes of divorce, and the right to marry of parties against whom a divorce has been granted, was further considered, amended on motions of Messrs. Shores of Lee and Bugbee of Boston, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, as amended, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The Bill to regulate the hours of labor of females and minors in manufacturing and mechanical establishments was read a third time, and considered. On the main question on engrossment of the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester; and, the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 48 yeas to 148 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker, John I.

Beckford, Ebenezer.
 Brown, William B.
 Burke, William J.
 Burr, Frank W.
 Cannon, Peter.
 Carroll, Lewis.
 Cawley, Edward.
 Chamberlain, George D.
 Collamore, Francis.
 Corey, Charles A.
 Cronin, Cornelius F.
 Crowell, James A.
 Dever, John F.
 Donovan, Daniel.
 Fay, Thomas, jun.
 Fifield, Benjamin L.
 Galvin, Owen A.
 Gill, Charles L.
 Hooper, Arthur.
 Howard, Robert.
 Joyce, John.
 Kelly, Francis B.
 Lamb, Abraham J.

Messrs. Love, John J.

Mahoney, Patrick F.
 McCullough, Thomas.
 McDonald, Patrick F.
 McGahey, Alexander B.
 McGeough, James A.
 McSorley, John.
 Mellen, James H.
 Milliken, Eben C.
 Moriarty, Eugene M.
 Nichols, Joseph J.
 O'Donnell, John.
 O'Neil, Joseph H.
 Parmenter, Charles O.
 Plunkett, Francis.
 Poor, Edward P.
 Quirk, Dennis G.
 Richardson, Nath'l, jun.
 Smith, Remember.
 Stanton, John.
 Stevens, Ezra A.
 Tufts, Arthur W.
 White, James.
 Wright, John H.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, Charles H.

Almy, James F.
 Ames, Edwin.
 Andrew, John F.
 Ayer, Thomas P.
 Bail, George W.
 Bailey, Thomas F.
 Baker, Thomas J.
 Barton, Leonard.
 Bidwell, Marshall S.
 Bosworth, Edwin R.
 Bowerman, Samuel W.
 Brown, Charles F.
 Brown, Edward P.
 Brown, Leonard.
 Bryant, George T.
 Buck, John W. P.
 Bugbee, James M.
 Bulloch, Andrew.
 Bumstead, Josiah.
 Burr, Edwin S.
 Burt, George L.

Messrs. Butler, Edward P.

Canterbury, Nathan D.
 Carleton, George H.
 Clapp, Frank A.
 Clark, William L.
 Clarke, Albert E.
 Cleveland, Tristram.
 Coffin, Amos.
 Cogswell, William.
 Colton, John W.
 Coolidge, Timothy A.
 Curtis, Hiram.
 Cushman, Solomon F.
 Davenport, James F.
 Davis, Person.
 Dickerman, John E.
 Dorman, Asahel H.
 Dunham, Henry J.
 Eager, Edward R.
 Eddy, Charles A.
 Edwards, James.
 Evans, James M.

Messrs. Farrar, Job P.

Fay, George F.
Fellows, Alonzo B.
Fiske, George B.
Forbes, William T.
Foster, Enoch.
Fowler, Charles B.
Fuller, Luther F.
Gage, Edwin.
Gaskill, Leonard T.
Gifford, James E.
Gifford, Rufus B.
Gilman, Thomas K.
Goodwin, John.
Goulding, Robert.
Hadley, Stephen D.
Hale, Silas W.
Hartwell, Samuel C.
Hatch, Silas B.
Hayden, Edward D.
Hemphill, Ashton E.
Higginson, Thomas W.
Hill, Hamilton A.
Hoar, Samuel.
Holman, William F.
Howland, Charles W.
Hughes, Atkins.
Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
Jefferson, Martin V. B.
Jenks, Henry R.
Jewett, Albert G.
Johnson, William.
Jones, Thomas B.
Keith, Albert.
Kelley, Watson B.
Kendall, Ira Y.
Lawrence, Asa S.
Learnard, George E.
Livermore, George B.
Lodge, Henry C.
Look, Dwight B.
Lyon, Henry.
Mackintosh, James.
Mansfield, Andrew.
Marble, John W.
Marshall, Asaph R.
McFarlin, Peleg.
McManus, Edward.
Merritt, Christopher C.
Miller, J. Hervey.

Messrs. Newell, Richard.

Packard, Davis S.
Paddock, Henry.
Parratt, George A.
Peck, Chauncey E.
Prouty, Isaac L.
Rand, John C.
Reed, Charles A.
Richardson, Solon O.
Robbins, Oliver W.
Root, Thomas P.
Russell, William W.
Sanborn, John H.
Sawin, Otis D.
Sawyer, Henry O.
Scott, Thomas.
Searles, George F.
Shaw, Edward P.
Shepard, George A.
Shores, Norman W.
Slocum, Henry A.
Smith, Zenas E.
Snow, William O.
Sprague, Henry H.
Steele, Isaac A. S.
Stevens, Edward G.
Stevens, J. Tyler.
Stickney, Joseph W.
Stover, Augustus W.
Stowe, Edmund M.
Sullivan, John C.
Swift, Charles F.
Tapley, Gilbert A.
Taylor, Levi.
Thayer, S. Proctor.
Thomas, Edward I.
Thompson, Joseph W.
Tinkham, Benjamin C.
Tufts, Joseph A.
Valpey, Samuel B.
Vinal, Quincy A.
Vining, David T.
Walker, Aaron G.
Walker, Samuel.
Wardwell, Henry.
Warren, Nathan.
Webster, Edwin R.
Wells, Henry J.
White, Lloyd E.
Whitney, Giles H.

Messrs. Whitney, Levi L.
Willcutt, Levi L.

Messrs. Wilson, Arthur H.
Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.

Yeas, 48; nays, 148.

On this question Messrs. Porter of Quincy, French of Lynn, Wood of Hopkinton, and Gargan of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Rice of Florida, Morrison of Methuen, J. G. Webster of Boston, and Burpee of Sterling.

Notice of the rejection of the bill was sent to the Senate.

At three minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, April 29, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

Butter and
cheese.

By Mr. Budington of Leyden, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill to prevent deception in sales of butter and cheese. Read, and ordered to a second reading.

Visiting phys-
icians.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the Bill (recommitted) to establish boards of visiting physicians for State lunatic-hospitals to be correctly drawn. Placed in the orders of the day for this afternoon, the question being on the engrossment of the bill.

Connecticut
River Railroad
station at Hol-
yoke.

By Mr. Phillips of Springfield, from the committee on Railroads, that the Resolve (on leave) relative to a station on the Connecticut River Railroad, in the city of Holyoke, ought not to pass. Read, and considered under suspension of the rule; and the resolve was rejected, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

State-prison
sewage.

By Mr. Lyon of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, on so much of the annual report of the commissioners of prisons as refers to the ventilation of the State Prison, and on the order (recommitted) relative to the expediency of legislation to prevent the discharge of the sewage of the State Prison into the Concord River and its tributaries, a "Resolve in favor of the State Prison at Concord." Read twice, under suspension of the rules, including Rule 42, and ordered to a third reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Hill of Boston, the report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the ten-hour law that men will come within its provisions, was taken from the table, and accepted in concurrence. Ten-hour law.

On motion of Mr. Andrew of Boston, the Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take and hold land and other property for a landing for the East Boston ferries was taken from the table, and, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Burke of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Monday. Subsequently Mr. Andrew of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House postponed further consideration of the bill until Monday, which motion was lost. East Boston ferries.

Leave to Introduce Bills Refused.

Mr. Walker of Watertown asked leave to introduce a Bill to revive "An Act to supply the town of Watertown with pure water." Watertown water-supply.

Mr. Marshall of Worcester asked leave to introduce a Bill in relation to the registration of births. Births.

The House refused leave in each case.

Hour of Meeting.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, —

Voted, That when the House adjourns this morning it be to meet on Monday, at two o'clock P.M. Hour of meeting.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Baker of Beverly moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House yesterday accepted the report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John I. Baker for State aid for the widow and minor children of George A. Flint, late of the Fiftieth Regiment, M.V.M., which motion was lost. George A. Flint.

Paper from the Senate.

The Bill to confirm the action of the town of Belmont, granting three thousand dollars for a public park, came down with the indorsement that the Senate concurred in suspension of the 10th joint Rule. On motion of Mr. Belmont park.

Brckett of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To amend " An Act relating to the salaries and compensation of the persons employed in the secretary's department " (which originated in the House) ; and

To authorize the town of Northampton to adopt and execute the provisions of the will of Charles E. Forbes ;

In relation to the jurisdiction of courts of insolvency in certain cases ; and

Relating to screens and other obstructions upon premises in which intoxicating liquor is sold ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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The Bill to incorporate the Hygiene League Co-operative was read a third time, and, after debate, was rejected, and notice of rejection was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to incorporate the Ocean Terminal Railroad Dock and Elevator Company was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bills :

To amend " An Act concerning co-operative saving-fund and loan associations ; " and

To provide for an associate medical examiner in the county of Suffolk ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day being laid on the table, the bill first named was read a third time under suspension of the rule, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve providing for certain improvements of the State House was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly, and was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At five minutes before twelve o'clock the House adjourned until Monday, at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, May 2, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Goodwin of Chicopee, a Bill to supply the village of Chicopee Falls, in Chicopee, with water. Read, and referred, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, to the committee on Public Health, and sent up for concurrence.

Chicopee Falls
water-supply.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Brown of Reading moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House rejected the Bill to incorporate the Hygiene League Co-operative, and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table. Both motions were lost.

Hygiene League
Co-operative.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Avery of Plymouth, from the committee on Printing, on two House orders and one Senate order bearing date respectively Feb. 1, a Bill concerning the preparation, printing, and distribution of public documents.

Public docu-
ments.

By Mr. Root of Barre, from the committee on Agriculture, on the "Bill (recommitted) for the better preservation of deer," on a petition of A. A. Healey and others for an extension of time in which quail may be taken, on an order relative to amending the law relative to killing birds, on an order relative to enabling owners of land to preserve game thereon, on an order relative to insuring the protection of game, and an order relative to the better protection of quail, a Bill to amend "An Act for the protection of birds, birds' eggs, deer, and game."

Game laws.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Hayden of Woburn, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill relative to clerical assistance in the office of the chief of the district police ought to pass.

Chief of dis-
trict police.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to incorporate the East Boston Railway Dock and Elevator Company ought to pass with certain amendments.

East Boston
Railway Dock
and Elevator
Company.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to amend chapter 234 of the Acts of the year 1877, relating to notices of injuries received upon highways, ought to pass.

Injuries on
highways.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Solitary cells.

By Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, from the committee on Prisons, that the Resolve providing for the construction of a block of solitary cells at the State Prison at Concord should be referred to the next General Court. Read, and accepted under suspension of the rule, and the bill was referred to the next General Court, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports:

Printing of documents.

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to secure a more prompt delivery of the public documents from the State printers;

Special justices.

Of the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the number of days' service in each year for which special justices of district and police courts may receive compensation out of the public treasury; and

Secretary of Board of Education.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the secretary of the Board of Education;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Resolves:

Taunton lunatic-hospital.

In favor of the trustees of the State Lunatic-Hospital at Taunton (reported on the annual report of the trustees and a petition); and

Eye and ear infirmary.

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary (reported on a petition);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Registers of voters.

A Bill to amend "An Act to provide for the keeping of registers of voters in cities and towns," reported, in part, on an order relative to a change in the election laws, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Woman suffrage.

Notice was received from the Senate that the Senate Resolve providing for an amendment of the Constitution to secure the elective franchise and the right to hold office to women (reported on the petition of Lydia B. Miller and others) had been referred by the Senate to the next General Court.

The House Bill concerning judgment-debtors came down from the Senate with the indorsement thereon that the Senate insisted on the amendment, in which the House non-concurred, and asked for a committee of conference; Messrs. Bennett, Lilley, and Rockwell being appointed a committee on its part. The House concurred in the appointment of a committee; and Messrs. Hoar of Concord, Lodge of Nahant, and McGeough of Boston were joined on its part.

Judgment-
debtors.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons be authorized to make their report in print on the condition of the various prisons of the State.

Prisons.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take and hold land and other property for a landing for the East Boston ferries was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Amendments moved by Messrs. J. G. Webster of Boston and Brown of Boston were severally adopted, and, after debate, the bill was rejected, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Orders of the
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The Bill to prevent deception in sales of butter and cheese was read a second time, amended on motions of Messrs. Lodge of Nahant, Muzzey of Cambridge, Porter of Rowe, and Root of Barre, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading.

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The Bill to establish boards of visiting physicians for State lunatic-hospitals was further considered, and, pending the question on the engrossment of the bill, the House,

At thirty-five minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY MORNING, May 3, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

Minors at trials. By Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, a Bill concerning the presence of minors as spectators in court-rooms. Read, and considered under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Order.

Adjournment. On motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord,—
Ordered, That whenever the House is in session at quarter before one o'clock P.M., the Speaker shall declare an adjournment until two o'clock.

Reports of Committees.

Juries. By Mr. Brown of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, that the Senate Bill relating to the impaneling of juries ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon for a second reading.

Transfer of stock. By Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to the transfer of stock in corporations ought not to pass.

Boston fire laws. By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill in addition to and amendment of the several acts providing for the regulation and inspection of buildings, the more effectual prevention of fire, and the better preservation of life and property in the city of Boston, ought not to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question in each case being on the rejection of the bill.

Papers from the Senate.

Beverly water-supply. The report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the town of Beverly for the right to take water directly from Wenham Pond, and to make contracts in regard thereto, and a petition in aid of the same, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule.

Worcester water-supply. A Bill in addition to the Acts to supply the city of Worcester with pure water, reported on a petition, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Hampden-county probate judge. On motion of Mr. Phillips of Springfield, his motion to

reconsider the vote whereby the House on Monday, April 25, rejected the Bill to establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampden, was taken from the table, and, on his further motion, was placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Bills Enacted, and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted

Concerning the examination of debtors and witnesses in proceedings in insolvency, and the discharge of insolvent debtors; and

To provide for an assistant clerk for the county of Bristol;

(Which severally originated in the House);

To abate a nuisance in the city of Boston, and for the preservation of the public health in said city;

To incorporate the Ocean Terminal Railroad Dock and Elevator Company;

Concerning the trial of causes of divorce, and the right to marry of parties against whom a divorce has been granted;

To authorize the sale of public buildings in Adams, and for other purposes; and

To incorporate the Forbes Library in Northampton;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Eugene M. Dow (which originated in the House) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to amend chapter 234 of the Acts of the year 1877, relating to notices of injuries received upon highways, was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the day.

Reports:

Of the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the number of days' service in each year for which special justices of district and police courts may receive compensation out of the public treasury;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to establishing the salary of the secretary of the State Board of Education; and

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to securing a more prompt delivery of the public documents from the State printers;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The Bill to establish boards of visiting physicians for State lunatic-hospitals was further considered, and, after debate, was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in favor of Walter Shanly was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. McDonald of Boston moved to amend the resolve by substituting therefor the resolve recommended by a minority of the committee numbered One, giving Mr. Shanly the sum of \$129,874.04. Pending the consideration of this amendment, the House,

At quarter before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Petitions Presented.

Transfer of
stock.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, petition of the South Boston Gaslight Company; by Mr. Phillips of Springfield, petition of William K. Baker and others; and, by Mr. Allen of Lowell, petition of J. F. Kimball and others, — severally in aid of the "Bill relating to the transfer of stock in corporations." Placed on file.

Introduced on Leave.

Proceedings in
probate courts.

By Mr. Forbes of Westborough, a Bill to confirm certain proceedings in probate courts. Read, and considered under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Reports of Committees.

Discharge of in-
solvent debtors.

By Mr. Wales of Randolph, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, that the Senate Bill relating to the discharge of insolvent debtors ought to pass with an amendment, adding a new section to be numbered section 2.

Bonds of guar-
dians.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the same committee,

that the Senate Bill relating to the bonds of guardians of neglected and destitute children ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Dorman of Belchertown, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to agriculture. Agriculture.

By Mr. Budington of Leyden, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will enable the agricultural societies of the State to pay premiums for dairy stock without discrimination. Premiums for dairy stock.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Shores of Lee, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill concerning bounties to agricultural societies. Bounties to agricultural societies.

By Mr. Tappan of Manchester, from the committee on the Fisheries, that the engrossed Bill (recommitted) to provide for the preservation of lobsters ought to pass in a new draft with the same title. Lobsters.

By Mr. Lyon of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, that the Bill (recommitted) to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of apothecaries ought to pass in a new draft with the same title. Apothecaries.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the amendments to the Bill to incorporate the Ayer Water Company, that they are unable to agree, and asking to be discharged from further consideration thereof. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence. Ayer Water Company.

Resolves Passed.

Engrossed resolves:

Resolves passed.

Confirming the acts of Thomas Flatley as a justice of the peace;

In favor of the commissioners on contagious diseases among cattle; and

In favor of Charles F. Folsom;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Special Assignment.

Executive councillor.

At half-past two o'clock the special assignment was taken up, it being the election, on the part of the House, of an executive councillor to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Hon. William O. Taylor of Boston.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Gifford of Salem, I. E. Noyes of Boston, Mellen of Worcester, Jones of Chelsea, Vinal of Somerville, Burt of Boston, Scott of Lawrence, and Gill of Stoneham, a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes. Mr. Gifford, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows:—

Whole number of votes cast	.	.	.	191
Necessary for a choice	.	.	.	96
George L. Burt of Boston	.	.	.	2
Edward I. Thomas of Brookline	.	.	.	4
Mahlon D. Spaulding of Boston	.	.	.	185

And Mahlon D. Spaulding being declared elected on the part of the House councillor for the second councillor district, Mr. Thomas of Brookline was appointed a committee to wait upon the Senate, and inform that branch of the action of the House.

Subsequently a message was received from the Senate informing the House that the Senate had elected, on its part, Mr. Mahlon D. Spaulding as councillor for the second councillor district.

Papers from the Senate.

Ibid.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to Mr. Mahlon D. Spaulding of Boston of his election as councillor to advise the Governor in the executive part of the government for the current political year, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. William O. Taylor.

Ibid.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a convention of the two Houses be held on Wednesday, May 4, at twelve M., for the purpose of administering the oath of office to Hon. Mahlon D. Spaulding, councillor-elect for the second councillor district for the current political year.

*Discharged from the Orders.*East Boston
Railway Dock
and Elevator
Company.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the Bill to incorporate the East Boston Railway Dock and Elevator Company was discharged from the orders of the day. It was

read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to amend chapter 234 of the Acts of the year 1877, relating to notices of injuries received upon highways, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Orders of the day.

The Resolve in favor of Walter Shanly was further considered. The pending motion of Mr. McDonald of Boston, to amend by substituting the resolve recommended by the minority of the committee, was lost. On the main question of ordering the resolve to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Fiske of Holliston, and, the roll being called, the resolve was rejected by a vote of 77 yeas to 86 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Andrew, John F.
Avery, Winslow W.
Barton, Leonard.
Bidwell, Marshall S.
Brown, Leonard.
Brown, William B.
Buck, John W. P.
Budington, Jonathan.
Bulloch, Andrew.
Burt, George L.
Butler, Edward P.
Butler, John Haskell.
Cable, Hobart M.
Cannon, Peter.
Canterbury, Nathan D.
Carroll, Lewis.
Clapp, Frank A.
Coolidge, Timothy A.
Cronin, Cornelius F.
Dever, John F.
Farrar, Job P.
Fellows, Alonzo B.
Fiske, George B.
Freeman, Jesse H.
French, Hartwell S.
Fuller, Luther F.
Galvin, Owen A.

Messrs. Gargan, Frank.
Gaskill, Leonard T.
Goulding, Robert.
Hadley, Stephen D.
Hayden, Edward D.
Higginson, Thomas W.
Howard, Robert.
Hughes, Atkins.
Johnson, William.
Joyce, John.
Kelly, Francis B.
Kendall, Ira Y.
Lamb, Abraham J.
Learnard, George E.
Mahoney, Patrick F.
McDonald, Patrick F.
McGahey, Alex. B.
McSorley, John.
Mellen, James H.
Milliken, Eben C.
Morrison, Daniel T.
Morse, George W.
Murphy, Timothy A.
Muzzey, Henry W.
Nichols, Joseph J.
O'Donnell, John.
O'Neil, Joseph H.

Messrs. Plunkett, Francis.
 Quirk, Dennis G.
 Reade, John.
 Root, Thomas P.
 Russell, William W.
 Sanborn, John H.
 Scott, Thomas.
 Shepard, Harvey N.
 Stanton, John.
 Stevens, Edward G.
 Stickney, Joseph W.
 Stover, Augustus W.

Messrs. Thompson, Joseph W.
 Tufts, Joseph A.
 Vining, David T.
 Walker, Samuel.
 Wardwell, Henry.
 Warren, Nathan.
 Webster, Edwin R.
 White, James.
 Wilson, Arthur H.
 Wood, Owen.
 Wright, John H.

NATS.

Messrs. Almy, James F.
 Ames, Edwin.
 Ayer, Thomas P.
 Bail, George W.
 Bailey, Thomas F.
 Bixby, Nelson H.
 Bowerman, Samuel W.
 Brackett, John Q. A.
 Bradford, Martin L.
 Brown, Edward P.
 Bryant, George T.
 Bugbee, James M.
 Bumstead, Josiah.
 Burr, Edwin S.
 Carleton, George H.
 Carpenter, Edward C.
 Clark, William L.
 Cleveland, Tristram.
 Coffin, Amos.
 Cogswell, William.
 Collamore, Francis.
 Coney, Hubert M.
 Corey, Charles A.
 Crandall, George N.
 Crowell, James A.
 Curtis, Hiram.
 Cushman, Solomon F.
 Davenport, James F.
 Dorman, Asahel H.
 Eager, Edward R.
 Fernald, B. Marvin.
 Fifield, Benjamin L.
 Floyd, Thomas.
 Gilbert, Lucien M.
 Gill, Charles L.

Messrs. Hale, Silas W.
 Hartwell, Samuel C.
 Hemphill, Ashton E.
 Hill, Hamilton A.
 Holman, William F.
 Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
 Jefferson, Martin V. B.
 Jewett, Albert G.
 Jones, Thomas B.
 Kelley, Watson B.
 Lawrence, Asa S.
 Lincoln, Clark.
 Lodge, Henry C.
 Look, Dwight B.
 Mansfield, Andrew.
 Marshall, Asaph R.
 McFarlin, Peleg.
 McGeough, James A.
 Merritt, Christopher C.
 Miller, J. Hervey.
 Newell, Richard.
 Noyes, Increase E.
 Paddack, Henry.
 Parmenter, Charles O.
 Parratt, George A.
 Peck, Chauncey E.
 Porter, Burrill, jun.
 Porter, Charles H.
 Prouty, Isaac L.
 Reed, Charles A.
 Richardson, Solon O.
 Shepard, George A.
 Sheppard, Joel F.
 Shores, Norman W.
 Smith, Remember.

Messrs. Smith, Zenas E.
 Snow, William O.
 Sprague, Henry H.
 Stevens, Ezra A.
 Stevens, J. Tyler.
 Sullivan, John C.
 Swift, Charles F.
 Tapley, Gilbert A.

Messrs. Taylor, Levi.
 Thayer, S. Proctor.
 Tinkham, Benjamin C.
 Valpey, Samuel B.
 Wales, Jonathan.
 Wells, Henry J.
 Whitney, Giles H.
 Wilcox, Charles W.

Yeas, 77; nays, 86.

On this question Messrs. Gilman of North Andover, Brown of Reading, Slocum of Dartmouth, Sawin of Templeton, Willcutt of Boston, Mullane of Boston, Rand of Medford, Steele of Gloucester, Fay of Boston, Lyon of Boston, Porter of Rowe, Allen of Lowell, Thomas of Brookline, Burke of Boston, Love of Webster, Gifford of Salem, McManus of Natick, Wonson of Gloucester, Fowler of Salem, Cawley of Lowell, Rice of Florida, Livermore of Boston, Dickerman of Townsend, Gage of Haverhill, and Clarke of New Bedford, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Tappan of Manchester, Whitney of Millbury, Shaw of Newburyport, Walker of Worcester, Stowe of Hudson, Moriarty of Worcester, Richardson of Rockport, Baker of Beverly, Phillips of Springfield, White of Taunton, Edwards of Quincy, Forbes of Westborough, Hoar of Concord, Metcalf of Springfield, Vinal of Somerville, Tufts of Boston, Chamberlain of Cambridge, Bosworth of Easthampton, Hatch of Fall River, Evans of Taunton, Sawyer of West Boylston, Burr of Fall River, Burpee of Sterling, Davis of Somerville, and Robbins of Pittsfield.

At five minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, May 4, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

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Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (recommitted) to incorporate the East Boston Railway Dock and Elevator Company ought to pass with an amendment in addition to the amend-

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Orders of the day.

Reports:

Of the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the number of days' service in each year for which special justices of district and police courts may receive compensation out of the public treasury;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to establishing the salary of the secretary of the State Board of Education; and

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to securing a more prompt delivery of the public documents from the State printers;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The Bill to establish boards of visiting physicians for State lunatic-hospitals was further considered, and, after debate, was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in favor of Walter Shanly was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. McDonald of Boston moved to amend the resolve by substituting therefor the resolve recommended by a minority of the committee numbered One, giving Mr. Shanly the sum of \$129,874.04. Pending the consideration of this amendment, the House,

At quarter before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Petitions Presented.

Transfer of
stock.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, petition of the South Boston Gaslight Company; by Mr. Phillips of Springfield, petition of William K. Baker and others; and, by Mr. Allen of Lowell, petition of J. F. Kimball and others, — severally in aid of the "Bill relating to the transfer of stock in corporations." Placed on file.

Introduced on Leave.

Proceedings in
probate courts.

By Mr. Forbes of Westborough, a Bill to confirm certain proceedings in probate courts. Read, and considered under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Reports of Committees.

Discharge of in-
solvent debtors.

By Mr. Wales of Randolph, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, that the Senate Bill relating to the discharge of insolvent debtors ought to pass with an amendment, adding a new section to be numbered section 2.

Bonds of guar-
dians.

By Mr. Sprague of Boston, from the same committee,

that the Senate Bill relating to the bonds of guardians of neglected and destitute children ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Dorman of Belchertown, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to agriculture. Agriculture.

By Mr. Budington of Leyden, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will enable the agricultural societies of the State to pay premiums for dairy stock without discrimination. Premiums for dairy stock.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Shores of Lee, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill concerning bounties to agricultural societies. Bounties to agricultural societies.

By Mr. Tappan of Manchester, from the committee on the Fisheries, that the engrossed Bill (recommitted) to provide for the preservation of lobsters ought to pass in a new draft with the same title. Lobsters.

By Mr. Lyon of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, that the Bill (recommitted) to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of apothecaries ought to pass in a new draft with the same title. Apothecaries.

Severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the amendments to the Bill to incorporate the Ayer Water Company, that they are unable to agree, and asking to be discharged from further consideration thereof. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence. Ayer Water Company.

Resolves Passed.

Engrossed resolves:

Resolves passed.

Confirming the acts of Thomas Flatley as a justice of the peace;

In favor of the commissioners on contagious diseases among cattle; and

In favor of Charles F. Folsom;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Special Assignment.

Executive councillor.

At half-past two o'clock the special assignment was taken up, it being the election, on the part of the House, of an executive councillor to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Hon. William O. Taylor of Boston.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Gifford of Salem, I. E. Noyes of Boston, Mellen of Worcester, Jones of Chelsea, Vinal of Somerville, Burt of Boston, Scott of Lawrence, and Gill of Stoneham, a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes. Mr. Gifford, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows:—

Whole number of votes cast	.	.	.	191
Necessary for a choice	.	.	.	96
George L. Burt of Boston	.	.	.	2
Edward I. Thomas of Brookline	.	.	.	4
Mahlon D. Spaulding of Boston	.	.	.	185

And Mahlon D. Spaulding being declared elected on the part of the House councillor for the second councillor district, Mr. Thomas of Brookline was appointed a committee to wait upon the Senate, and inform that branch of the action of the House.

Subsequently a message was received from the Senate informing the House that the Senate had elected, on its part, Mr. Mahlon D. Spaulding as councillor for the second councillor district.

Papers from the Senate.

Ibid.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to Mr. Mahlon D. Spaulding of Boston of his election as councillor to advise the Governor in the executive part of the government for the current political year, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. William O. Taylor.

Ibid.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a convention of the two Houses be held on Wednesday, May 4, at twelve M., for the purpose of administering the oath of office to Hon. Mahlon D. Spaulding, councillor-elect for the second councillor district for the current political year.

*Discharged from the Orders.*East Boston
Railway Dock
and Elevator
Company.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the Bill to incorporate the East Boston Railway Dock and Elevator Company was discharged from the orders of the day. It was

read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to amend chapter 234 of the Acts of the year 1877, relating to notices of injuries received upon highways, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Orders of the day.

The Resolve in favor of Walter Shanly was further considered. The pending motion of Mr. McDonald of Boston, to amend by substituting the resolve recommended by the minority of the committee, was lost. On the main question of ordering the resolve to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Fiske of Holliston, and, the roll being called, the resolve was rejected by a vote of 77 yeas to 86 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Andrew, John F.
Avery, Winslow W.
Barton, Leonard.
Bidwell, Marshall S.
Brown, Leonard.
Brown, William B.
Buck, John W. P.
Budington, Jonathan.
Bulloch, Andrew.
Burt, George L.
Butler, Edward P.
Butler, John Haskell.
Cable, Hobart M.
Cannon, Peter.
Canterbury, Nathan D.
Carroll, Lewis.
Clapp, Frank A.
Coolidge, Timothy A.
Cronin, Cornelius F.
Dever, John F.
Farrar, Job P.
Fellows, Alonzo B.
Fiske, George B.
Freeman, Jesse H.
French, Hartwell S.
Fuller, Luther F.
Galvin, Owen A.

Messrs. Gargan, Frank.
Gaskill, Leonard T.
Goulding, Robert.
Hadley, Stephen D.
Hayden, Edward D.
Higginson, Thomas W.
Howard, Robert.
Hughes, Atkins.
Johnson, William.
Joyce, John.
Kelly, Francis B.
Kendall, Ira Y.
Lamb, Abraham J.
Learnard, George E.
Mahoney, Patrick F.
McDonald, Patrick F.
McGahey, Alex. B.
McSorley, John.
Mellen, James H.
Milliken, Eben C.
Morrison, Daniel T.
Morse, George W.
Murphy, Timothy A.
Muzzey, Henry W.
Nichols, Joseph J.
O'Donnell, John.
O'Neil, Joseph H.

Messrs. Plunkett, Francis.
 Quirk, Dennis G.
 Reade, John.
 Root, Thomas P.
 Russell, William W.
 Sanborn, John H.
 Scott, Thomas.
 Shepard, Harvey N.
 Stanton, John.
 Stevens, Edward G.
 Stickney, Joseph W.
 Stover, Augustus W.

Messrs. Thompson, Joseph W.
 Tufts, Joseph A.
 Vining, David T.
 Walker, Samuel.
 Wardwell, Henry.
 Warren, Nathan.
 Webster, Edwin R.
 White, James.
 Wilson, Arthur H.
 Wood, Owen.
 Wright, John H.

NATS.

Messrs. Almy, James F.
 Ames, Edwin.
 Ayer, Thomas P.
 Bail, George W.
 Bailey, Thomas F.
 Bixby, Nelson H.
 Bowerman, Samuel W.
 Brackett, John Q. A.
 Bradford, Martin L.
 Brown, Edward P.
 Bryant, George T.
 Bugbee, James M.
 Bumstead, Josiah.
 Burr, Edwin S.
 Carleton, George H.
 Carpenter, Edward C.
 Clark, William L.
 Cleveland, Tristram.
 Coffin, Amos.
 Cogswell, William.
 Collamore, Francis.
 Coney, Hubert M.
 Corey, Charles A.
 Crandall, George N.
 Crowell, James A.
 Curtis, Hiram.
 Cushman, Solomon F.
 Davenport, James F.
 Dorman, Asahel H.
 Eager, Edward R.
 Fernald, B. Marvin.
 Fifield, Benjamin L.
 Floyd, Thomas.
 Gilbert, Lucien M.
 Gill, Charles L.

Messrs. Hale, Silas W.
 Hartwell, Samuel C.
 Hemphill, Ashton E.
 Hill, Hamilton A.
 Holman, William F.
 Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
 Jefferson, Martin V. B.
 Jewett, Albert G.
 Jones, Thomas B.
 Kelley, Watson B.
 Lawrence, Asa S.
 Lincoln, Clark.
 Lodge, Henry C.
 Look, Dwight B.
 Mansfield, Andrew.
 Marshall, Asaph R.
 McFarlin, Peleg.
 McGeough, James A.
 Merritt, Christopher C.
 Miller, J. Hervey.
 Newell, Richard.
 Noyes, Increase E.
 Paddack, Henry.
 Parmenter, Charles O.
 Parratt, George A.
 Peck, Chauncey E.
 Porter, Burrill, jun.
 Porter, Charles H.
 Prouty, Isaac L.
 Reed, Charles A.
 Richardson, Solon O.
 Shepard, George A.
 Sheppard, Joel F.
 Shores, Norman W.
 Smith, Remember.

Messrs. Smith, Zenas E.
 Snow, William O.
 Sprague, Henry H.
 Stevens, Ezra A.
 Stevens, J. Tyler.
 Sullivan, John C.
 Swift, Charles F.
 Tapley, Gilbert A.

Messrs. Taylor, Levi.
 Thayer, S. Proctor.
 Tinkham, Benjamin C.
 Valpey, Samuel B.
 Wales, Jonathan.
 Wells, Henry J.
 Whitney, Giles H.
 Wilcox, Charles W.

Yeas, 77; nays, 86.

On this question Messrs. Gilman of North Andover, Brown of Reading, Slocum of Dartmouth, Sawin of Templeton, Willcutt of Boston, Mullane of Boston, Rand of Medford, Steele of Gloucester, Fay of Boston, Lyon of Boston, Porter of Rowe, Allen of Lowell, Thomas of Brookline, Burke of Boston, Love of Webster, Gifford of Salem, McManus of Natick, Wonson of Gloucester, Fowler of Salem, Cawley of Lowell, Rice of Florida, Livermore of Boston, Dickerman of Townsend, Gage of Haverhill, and Clarke of New Bedford, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Tappan of Manchester, Whitney of Millbury, Shaw of Newburyport, Walker of Worcester, Stowe of Hudson, Moriarty of Worcester, Richardson of Rockport, Baker of Beverly, Phillips of Springfield, White of Taunton, Edwards of Quincy, Forbes of Westborough, Hoar of Concord, Metcalf of Springfield, Vinal of Somerville, Tufts of Boston, Chamberlain of Cambridge, Bosworth of Easthampton, Hatch of Fall River, Evans of Taunton, Sawyer of West Boylston, Burr of Fall River, Burpee of Sterling, Davis of Somerville, and Robbins of Pittsfield.

At five minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, May 4, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (recommitted) to incorporate the East Boston Railway Dock and Elevator Company ought to pass with an amendment in addition to the amend-

East Boston
 Railway Dock
 and Elevator
 Company.

ments already recommended by the committee. Placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Motion to Reconsider.

W. Shanly.

Mr. Butler of Somerville moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House yesterday afternoon rejected the resolve in favor of Walter Shanly. The motion was lost by a vote of 76 to 85.

Papers from the Senate.

Lynn police court.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court of Lynn came down, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House non-concurred, and asked for a committee of conference. Messrs. Lodge of Nahant, Hayden of Woburn, and French of Lynn were appointed the committee on the part of the House. Sent up for concurrence.

Applications for licenses.

The House Bill relative to advertising applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors, and restricting the granting of such licenses, came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Troy and Greenfield Railroad.

A Resolve in reference to the double tracking of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel, reported on the annual reports of the manager of the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Minors at trials.

The House Bill (on leave) concerning the presence of minors as spectators in court-rooms came down with the indorsement that the Senate concurred in the suspension of the 10th joint Rule. On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the rule requiring its reference to a committee was suspended, and it was placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon for a second reading.

Special justices.

Notice was received from the Senate that the Bill (on leave) to establish the compensation of the special justices of the police and district courts of the Commonwealth (reported adversely by the committee on Expenditures) had been rejected by that branch.

A communication from the secretary of the Commonwealth was received, informing the Legislature that the Hon. Mahlon D. Spaulding had been notified of his election as councillor for the second councillor district, and, having signified his acceptance of the trust, was ready to be qualified.

Executive councillor.

Joint Convention.

Pursuant to assignment, the two branches met in convention for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to Hon. Mahlon D. Spaulding, councillor-elect from the second councillor district; and he, being present, took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office. The two branches then separated.

Ibid.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Shores of Lee, a Bill to amend "An Act concerning justices of the peace and trial-justices." Read and considered, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Justices of the peace and trial justices.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

In addition to "An Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for other purposes;"

To fix the compensation of the second assistant clerk of the superior court for civil business in the county of Suffolk; and

Establishing the salaries of the extra clerks in the auditor's and treasurer's departments;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Concerning Alewife Brook and certain sewers in Cambridge and Somerville (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to provide for an associate medical examiner in the county of Suffolk was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, and, pending the question on its engrossment, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders of the day.

The Resolve in favor of the State Prison at Concord was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To amend "An Act to provide for the keeping of registers of voters in cities and towns" (amended on motions of Messrs. Bugbee of Boston and Shores of Lee);

Relating to the bonds of guardians of neglected and destitute children; and

Relating to the discharge of insolvent debtors (amended, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Chancery, by the addition of a new section to be numbered section 2);

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill in addition to and amendment of the several acts providing for the regulation and inspection of buildings, the more effectual prevention of fire, and the better preservation of life and property in the city of Boston, was considered, and was rejected as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary; and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Reports:

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will enable the agricultural societies of the State to pay premiums for dairy stock without discrimination; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to agriculture;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The Bill to amend "An Act for the preservation of birds, birds' eggs, deer, and game," was read a second time, and considered. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, and pending the consideration of amendments moved by Messrs. Dunham of Stockbridge and Brown of Boston, the House,

At quarter before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.*Papers from the Senate.*

Proceedings in
probate courts.

The House Bill (on leave) to confirm certain proceedings in probate courts came down with the indorsement

thereon that the Senate concurred in the suspension of the 10th joint Rule. Referred to the committee on Probate and Chancery.

The House Bill to require the city of Boston to abate a nuisance caused by it in Mystic Lower Pond, for protecting the purity of the waters of said pond, and for the preservation of the public health, especially in the towns of Medford and Arlington, came down passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, which were placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Mystic Lower Pond.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to his Excellency the Governor that Hon. Mahlon D. Spaulding of Boston has been elected and qualified as a councillor to advise him in the executive part of the government for the current political year, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the Hon. William O. Taylor.

Executive councillor.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Cogswell of Salem, from the committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the order relative to investigating the case of certain employés of Fall River, who, it is alleged, were discharged for testifying before a committee of this House. (See House Doc. No. 428.) Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Discharge of certain employés in Fall River.

Bills Enacted, and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court in the city of Newton ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the East Boston district in the city of Boston ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the first district court of Plymouth County ;

To establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district in the city of Boston ; and

To establish the salary of the standing justice of the police court in Lee ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To amend chapter 234 of the Acts of the year 1877, relating to notices of injuries received upon highways (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed. An engrossed Resolve in favor of the State Primary School at Monson (which originated in the House) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The Bill to amend "An Act for the preservation of birds, birds' eggs, deer, and game," was further considered, amended on motions of Messrs. Dunham of Stockbridge and Sprague of Boston, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill concerning the preparation, printing, and distribution of public documents was read a second time, and considered. Amendments moved by Messrs. Hill of Boston and Hoar of Concord were adopted, and, after debate, the bill was, on motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, recommitted to the committee on Printing.

The Bill relative to clerical assistance in the office of chief of the district police was read a second time, and, after debate, was rejected, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to prevent deception in sales of butter and cheese was read a third time, and, after debate, was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the discharge of insolvent debtors was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for the preservation of lobsters ; and

Concerning bounties to agricultural societies ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

At ten minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, May 5, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Hamlin of Boston, petition of Hezekiah Mayo and others in aid of the Bill to incorporate the East Boston Railway Dock and Elevator Company. Placed on file.

East Boston
Railway Dock
and Elevator
Company.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Keith of Brockton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the communication of his Excellency the Governor in relation to the representation of the State of Massachusetts at the United-States international exhibition to be held in New York in the year 1883. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

New York In-
ternational Ex-
hibition.

Paper from the Senate.

A Bill defining the duties and fixing the compensation of certain appointees of the sergeant-at-arms, reported by the committee on the State House on two orders, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Certain ap-
pointees of ser-
geant-at-arms.

Bills Enacted, and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the first district court of Bristol; and

To establish the salaries of certain standing justices of the district courts in the county of Worcester;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve authorizing the attorney-general to discontinue a certain suit against the Boston and Albany Railroad Company on certain conditions (which originated in the House) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

The motion of Mr. Phillips of Springfield, to reconsider the vote whereby the House on Monday, April 25, rejected the Bill to establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampden, was carried; and, the question recurring on the engrossment of the bill, it was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Orders of the
day.

The Bill concerning the presence of minors as spectators in court-rooms was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the bonds of guardians of neglected and destitute children was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate Bill relating to the transfer of stock in corporations was considered, and, after debate, its rejection, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, was negatived, and the bill was ordered to a second reading.

At ten minutes before one o'clock the House adjourned, the Chair having delayed the declaration of adjournment by general consent to allow the completion of the matter in hand.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills.

The House bills:

In addition to "An Act regulating commitments of persons to insane-hospitals;"

To amend "An Act concerning co-operative saving-fund and loan associations;" and

To incorporate the Lexington Water Company;

Came down, severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred under a suspension of the rule moved in each case, and the bills were severally returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Boston dog-shelter.

A Bill to authorize the establishment and maintenance of a dog-shelter by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in the city of Boston (being a new draft of a House bill with the same title); and a

Mystic Valley.

Resolve for a plan for the drainage of the Mystic Valley, and the neighborhood of the city of Boston (reported on a portion of the Governor's address);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

Massachusetts Mutual Insurance Company.

A petition of the Massachusetts Mutual Insurance Company for leave to change its corporate name was referred in non-concurrence to the next General Court, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Repealing "An Act to authorize the construction of a bridge over Green Harbor River in Marshfield" (which originated in the House);

To establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampden; and

Relating to the bonds of guardians of neglected and destitute children;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves passed.

Concerning an amendment to the Constitution to prevent the disfranchisement of certain soldiers and sailors becoming paupers (which originated in the House); and

In relation to dock and railroad terminal facilities in the port of Boston (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Forbes of Westborough, from the committee on Probate and Chancery (on a bill on leave), a Bill to confirm certain proceedings in probate courts. Read, and ordered to a second reading.

Proceedings in probate courts.

By Mr. Porter of Rowe, from the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (on leave) for the better security of the ballot. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Security of the ballot.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Packard of Brockton, the Bill relating to the taxation of deposits in savings banks was taken from the table, and was, pending the question on its engrossment, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Savings-bank deposits.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill concerning bounties to agricultural societies was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the day.

Bills :

Relating to the impanelling of juries; and

In addition to the Acts to supply the city of Worcester with pure water (amended on motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston);

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

At five o'clock adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, May 6, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

East Boston
Railway Dock
and Elevator
Company.

By Mr. E. R. Webster of Boston, petition of Thomas B. Hall and others in aid of the Bill to incorporate the East Boston Railway Dock and Elevator Company. Placed on file.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill relating to the discharge of insolvent debtors (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate.

Special Justices.

The engrossed Bill to amend "An Act to establish the compensation of the special justices of the police and district courts in the Commonwealth," which had been passed to be enacted by the House, and sent up for concurrence, came down with an amendment to the bill, and also to the title, making the latter to read, "Bill concerning the compensation of standing and special justices of municipal, police, and district courts." On motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston, the vote whereby the bill was passed to be enacted was reconsidered, and, on further motion of the same gentleman, the rule providing that no engrossed bill shall be amended was suspended, and the House concurred in the amendments adopted by the Senate; and the bill was returned to that branch indorsed accordingly.

Joseph M. Day.

The report of the joint special committee on that subject, leave to withdraw, on the petition for the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate of Barnstable County, accepted by the Senate, was read, and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon. (See Senate Doc. No. 200.)

A Bill to provide for the redemption of the guaranty capital stock of mutual fire-insurance companies (being a new draft of the House "Bill to provide for the redemption of the guaranty capital of fire-insurance companies"); and

Guaranty capital of mutual insurance companies.

A Resolve regarding the sewage of the city of Worcester (reported on a portion of the Governor's address, and several petitions relative to preventing the flow of sewage of the city of Worcester into the Blackstone River);

Worcester sewage.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading.

The House Bill relieving property from double taxation in certain cases came down, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on concurring in the amendments.

Double taxation.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, the Bill in addition to the Acts to supply the city of Worcester with pure water was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in an amendment adopted by the House.

Worcester water-supply.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Baker of Beverly, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order relative to amending the laws regarding elections, in part, a Bill to aid in preserving order at elections. Read, and ordered to a second reading.

Order at elections.

By Mr. Whitney of Winchendon, from the committee on Probate and Chancery, that the Senate Bill to amend "An Act concerning the estates of insolvent debtors" ought not to pass. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Estates of insolvent debtors.

By Mr. Hayden of Woburn, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary ought to pass. Read a second and third time, under suspension of the rule moved by Mr. Hayden, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Eye and ear infirmary.

Public docu-
ments.

By Mr. Avery of Plymouth, from the committee on Printing, that the Bill (recommitted) concerning the preparation, printing, and distribution of public documents ought to pass with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Lynn police
court.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches, on the Bill to establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court of Lynn, that they are unable to agree, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and recommending the appointment of a new committee of conference, was read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The Bill to confirm certain proceedings in probate courts was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of apothecaries was read a second time, and considered. Amendments moved by Messrs. Love of Webster and Lyon of Boston were adopted, and, after debate, the bill was rejected by a vote of 88 to 96, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

At quarter before one o'clock adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Reports of Committees.

Certain ap-
pointees of ser-
geant-at-arms.

By Mr. Hayden of Woburn, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill defining the duties and fixing the compensation of certain appointees of the sergeant-at-arms ought to pass.

Chicopee Falls
water-supply.

By Mr. Wilson of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, that the Bill (on leave) to supply the village of Chicopee Falls in Chicopee with water ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Adjournment.

Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge, —
Voted, That, when the House adjourns this afternoon, it be to meet on Saturday morning, at ten o'clock.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, this vote was reconsidered, and the motion was rejected; an amendment moved by Mr. Hill of Boston to substitute "Monday morning, at eleven o'clock," instead of "Saturday morning, at ten o'clock," having been lost.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the Senate Bill to amend "An Act concerning the estates of insolvent debtors" was discharged from the orders of the day. It was considered, and was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Chancery, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Estates of insolvent debtors.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the Bill to provide for the redemption of the guaranty capital stock of mutual fire-insurance companies was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, amended, on motions of Mr. Hoar of Concord, and ordered to a third reading.

Guaranty capital of mutual fire-insurance companies.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Boston, the Resolve regarding the sewage of the city of Worcester was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Worcester sewage.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the Bill concerning the preparation, printing, and distribution of public documents was discharged from the orders of the day, and considered. The amendments recommended by the committee on Printing were adopted, and the bill as amended was ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Public documents.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the Bill to confirm certain proceedings in probate courts was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Proceedings in probate courts.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to incorporate the East Boston Railway Dock and Elevator Company was further considered, amended, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the day.

The Bill to amend "An Act to provide for the keeping

of registers of voters in cities and towns" was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Wells of Cambridge, passed to be engrossed in concurrence as amended, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the order relative to investigating the case of certain employes in Fall River, who, it is alleged, were discharged for testifying before a committee of this House, was accepted.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the Bill to require the city of Boston to abate a nuisance caused by it in Mystic Lower Pond, for protecting the purity of the waters of said pond, and for the preservation of the public health, especially in the towns of Medford and Arlington, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Bills:

To amend "An Act for the preservation of birds, birds' eggs, deer, and game" (amended on motion of Mr. Brown of Boston);

To provide for the preservation of lobsters; and

Concerning the presence of minors as spectators in court-rooms (amended on motion of Mr. Wells of Cambridge);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

Relating to the transfer of stock in corporations;

To authorize the establishment and maintenance of a dog-shelter by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in the city of Boston; and the

Resolve for a plan for the drainage of the Mystic Valley and the neighborhood of the city of Boston;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to next General Court, on the Bill (on leave) for the better security of the ballot, was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until Monday.

The Bill relating to the taxation of deposits in savings banks was, on motion of Mr. Hayden of Woburn, postponed to be considered next after the "Bill relieving property from double taxation in certain cases."

The House concurred in all of the Senate amendments to the Bill relative to advertising applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors, and restricting the granting of such licenses, except those at "E," "F," and "G," in which it non-concurred; and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

At five o'clock adjourned.

MONDAY, May 9, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Davenport of Fall River, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the trustees of the State Lunatic-Hospital at Taunton ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taunton lunatic-hospital.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the same committee, on the reports of the auditor of accounts and of the treasurer and receiver-general, in part, a Resolve directing transfers between certain sinking-funds.

Certain sinking-funds.

By Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the Bill (recommitted) concerning jurisdiction in equity, a "Resolve authorizing the appointment of a commission to consider the expediency of changing the equity system of the Commonwealth."

Equity.

Severally read, and ordered to a third reading.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Butler of Boston, Rule 68 was suspended; and, on further motion of the same gentleman, the House reconsidered the vote whereby the petition of the Massachusetts Mutual Insurance Company for leave to change its name, was, on Friday morning, referred in non-concurrence to the next General Court. The question recurring on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of the 10th joint Rule, the House concurred, and the petition was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Massachusetts Mutual Insurance Company.

On motion of Mr. Swift of Yarmouth, the House reconsidered the vote whereby the Bill to provide for the preser-

Lobsters.

vation of lobsters was, on Friday afternoon last, passed to be engrossed. The question recurring on its engrossment, the bill was again passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Mystic Lower Pond.

Mr. Butler of Somerville moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday afternoon last, concurred with the Senate in striking out section 4 of the "Bill to require the city of Boston to abate a nuisance caused by it in Mystic Lower Pond, for protecting the purity of the waters of said pond, and for the preservation of the public health, especially in the towns of Medford and Arlington." The motion was lost.

Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To confirm the action of the town of Belmont granting three thousand dollars for a public park;

To incorporate the Sesuet Cranberry Company; and

Concerning the compensation of standing and special justices of municipal, police, and district courts;

(Which severally originated in the House);

In addition to the Acts to supply the city of Worcester with pure water; and

To amend "An Act concerning co-operative saving-fund and loan associations;"

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Engrossed resolves:

Relative to the centennial celebration at Yorktown (which originated in the House); and

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills:

Degrees.

Relative to the power of conferring degrees (reported by the committee on Education, on so much of the report of the deputy tax commissioner as relates to conferring degrees);

Boston elections.

In relation to elections in the city of Boston (reported, in part, on an order relative to amending the laws concerning registration of voters in the city of Boston); and

To establish the salaries of the board of harbor and land commissioners (reported, in part, on the annual report of the harbor and land commissioners);

Harbor and land commissioners.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read, and ordered to a second reading, Rule 42 having been suspended in the case of the bill last named, on motion of Mr. Hill of Boston.

The House Bill to provide for the preservation of lobsters came down, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule.

Lobsters.

The report of the committee of conference, on the matters of difference between the two branches in relation to the "Bill relative to the punishment of drunkenness," recommending the passage of the bill in a new draft with the same title, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule.

Drunkenness.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of district-attorneys came down from the Senate, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House non-concurred, and asked for a committee of conference; and Messrs. Hoar of Concord, Hill of Boston, and Wales of Randolph, were appointed on its part. Sent up for concurrence.

District-attorneys.

Notice was received from the Senate that the Senate "Bill to amend section 4 of chapter 160 of the General Statutes, relating to murder" (reported by the committee on Prisons, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to capital punishment), and the House Bills "to authorize the town of East Bridgewater to pay certain bounties," and "to authorize the town of Wilmington to pay certain money to certain soldiers of the late war," were severally rejected by that branch.

Bills.

Notice was also received from the Senate that the House "Bill to amend 'An Act concerning justices of the peace and trial-justices'" had been referred by that branch, under the 10th joint Rule, to the next General Court.

Justices of the peace.

The report of the committee of conference, on the matters of difference between the two branches in relation to the "Bill concerning judgment-debtors," that the House should concur in the Senate amendment with an amendment substituting for section 5, as proposed by the Senate, a new section to be numbered section 5, was read, considered under suspension of the rule, and accepted in concurrence;

Judgment-debtors.

and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Lynn police court.

A new committee of conference was appointed on the matters of difference between the two branches, in relation to the "Bill to establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court of Lynn," consisting of Messrs. Hill of Boston, Hoar of Concord, and Allen of Lynn. Sent up to be joined.

Boston and Maine Railroad bridge.

The House Bill in relation to the bridge of the Boston and Maine Railroad over the Merrimack River at Haverhill came down, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment striking out section 3 of the bill. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring in the amendment.

Discharged from the Orders.

Joseph M. Day.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the report of the joint special committee on that subject, leave to withdraw, on the petition for the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate of Barnstable County, was discharged from the orders of the day, and, on further motion of the same gentleman, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow afternoon, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the "Bill (on leave) for the better security of the ballot," was further considered, and, after debate, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the impanelling of juries was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord so that it apply to Suffolk County only, and amended in the title by Mr. Brown of Boston by inserting after the word "juries" the words "in the county of Suffolk," passed to be engrossed in concurrence as amended, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

Bills:

To supply the village of Chicopee Falls, in Chicopee, with water; and

To aid in preserving order at elections;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the East Boston Railway Dock and Elevator Company; and

Resolves:

Regarding the sewage of the city of Worcester; and

For a plan for the drainage of the Mystic Valley and the neighborhood of the city of Boston;

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the redemption of the guaranty capital stock of mutual fire-insurance companies was read a third time, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment adopted by the House.

The Bill relieving property from double taxation in certain cases was considered, the question being on concurring with the Senate in its amendments to the bill. Mr. Bugbee of Boston moved that the House non-concur in the amendments at "F" and "G;" pending which motion, the House,

At twenty-five minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY MORNING, May 10, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill providing for a resurvey and establishment of the harbor-lines at East Boston (reported, in part, on the annual report of the commissioners on harbors and public lands), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and referred under the rule to the committee on Finance.

Harbor-lines at East Boston.

A Bill concerning bounties to agricultural societies (being in a new draft of a House bill with the same title), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Bounties to agricultural societies.

An engrossed "Bill to provide for an assistant clerk for the county of Bristol" came down from the Senate with an amendment. The vote whereby the bill was passed to be enacted by the House, was, on motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston, reconsidered under suspension of the rule. The

Assistant clerk for Bristol County.

question recurring on the enactment of the bill, the same gentleman moved to suspend the rule which provides that no engrossed bill shall be amended. The motion prevailed, and the House concurred with the Senate in the amendment, on further motion of the same gentleman, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Stamping of securities.

An engrossed Bill to repeal the portion relating to the stamping of securities of chapter 218 of the Acts of the year 1860, entitled "An Act making appropriations to meet certain expenditures authorized the present year, and for other purposes," came down from the Senate with an amendment to the title so that it should read, "Bill to repeal that portion of chapter 218 of the Acts of the year 1860 which relates to the stamping of securities held by the Commonwealth." On motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston, the House reconsidered the vote whereby the bill was passed to be enacted, and, the question recurring on its enactment, the same gentleman moved to suspend Rule 51, which provides that no engrossed bill shall be amended. The motion prevailed, and the House then concurred with the Senate in the amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to advertising applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors, and restricting the granting of such licenses ;

To incorporate the Lexington Water Company ;

To require the city of Boston to abate a nuisance in Mystic Lower Pond, for protecting the purity of the waters of said pond, and for the preservation of the public health, especially in the towns of Medford and Arlington ;

In addition to "An Act regulating commitments of persons to insane-hospitals ;"

To establish the salary of the clerk of the secretary of the Board of Agriculture ; and

To establish the salary of the standing justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district in the city of Boston ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relating to the appointment of constables for certain municipal courts in the city of Boston ; and

To amend "An Act to provide for the keeping of registers of voters in cities and towns ;"

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill relieving property from double taxation in certain cases was further considered. On motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston, the House non-concurred in all the Senate amendments, and asked for a committee of conference; and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Bugbee of Boston, Morse of Newton, and Lodge of Nahant, as the committee. The bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly. Orders of the day.

The Bill relating to the taxation of deposits in savings banks was, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, laid on the table, pending the question on its engrossment.

Bills:

Relative to the power of conferring degrees;

Defining the duties and fixing the compensation of certain appointees of the sergeant-at-arms (amended on motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant); and

To establish the salaries of the board of harbor and land commissioners (amended on motion of Mr. Swift of Yarmouth); and the

Resolve authorizing the appointment of a commission to consider the expediency of changing the equity system of the Commonwealth;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

Relating to the transfer of stock in corporations; and

To authorize the establishment and maintenance of a dog-shelter by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in the city of Boston (amended on motion of Mr. Brown of Boston);

Were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, the bill last named being sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Bills:

To supply the village of Chicopee Falls, in Chicopee, with water (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading by substituting the word "pure" before the word "water"); and

To aid in preserving order at elections (amended on motion of Mr. Hoar of Concord);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendment to the "Bill in relation to the bridge of the Boston and Maine Railroad over the Merrimack River at Haverhill," and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

The Resolve directing transfers between certain sinking-funds was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in relation to elections in the city of Boston was read a second time, amended on motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve in favor of the trustees of the State Lunatic-Hospital at Taunton was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the rules were suspended, and the bill and resolve were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence; and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the amendment adopted by the House.

At twenty minutes before one o'clock adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Paper from the Senate.

Executors, etc.

A Bill to amend chapter 186 of the Acts of the year 1880, relating to the removal of executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees, introduced on leave in the Senate under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. On motion of Mr. Wells of Cambridge, the House concurred in the suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Harbor-lines at
East Boston.

By Mr. Merritt of Springfield, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from further considera-

tion of the Senate Bill providing for a resurvey and establishment of the harbor-lines at East Boston. Read and accepted ; and the bill, having been read once, was placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon for a second reading.

By Mr. Stevens of Clinton, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the committee, in compliance with the requirements of section 87 of chapter 265 of the Acts of the year 1878, had visited the State camp-ground at Framingham, and had found the public property in good condition. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

State camp-ground, etc.

By Mr. Stevens of Malden, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in reference to the double tracking of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading. (A minority of the committee submitted a statement which was printed as House Doc. No. 439.)

Troy and Greenfield Railroad.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the Bill concerning bounties to agricultural societies was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second and a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, under a suspension of the rules moved by the same gentleman.

Bounties to agricultural societies.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the Bill defining the duties and fixing the compensation of certain appointees of the sergeant-at-arms was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, amended on motions of Messrs. Shepard of Boston and Lodge of Nahant, passed to be engrossed in concurrence as amended, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

Certain appointees of sergeant-at-arms.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To provide for an assistant clerk for the county of Bristol ;

To repeal that portion of chapter 213 of the Acts of the year 1860 which relates to the stamping securities held by the Commonwealth ;

Concerning judgment debtors ;

To provide for the preservation of lobsters ; and

In relation to the bridge of the Boston and Maine Railroad over the Merrimack River at Haverhill ;

Bills enacted.

(Which severally originated in the House); and
 Relating to the transfer of stock in corporations; and
 To provide for the redemption of the guaranty capital
 stock of mutual fire-insurance companies;
 (Which severally originated in the Senate);
 Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to
 the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Engrossed resolves:

In favor of the trustees of the State Lunatic-Hospital
 at Taunton; and

For a plan for the drainage of the Mystic Valley and
 the neighborhood of the city of Boston;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

*Orders of the Day.***Orders of the day.**

The report of the joint special committee on that subject,
 leave to withdraw, on the petition for the removal of
 Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate of
 Barnstable County, was further considered. Mr. Freeman
 of Wellfleet moved to amend the report by substituting
 therefor an address to his Excellency the Governor,
 requesting the removal of Judge Day from office; pend-
 ing the consideration of which, the orders of the day were
 laid upon the table.

The House, at ten minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, May 11, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Papers from the Senate.***Massachusetts
Mutual Insur-
ance Company.**

A Bill to change the name of the Massachusetts Mutual
 Insurance Company, passed to be engrossed by the Senate,
 came down, and, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the
 rules were suspended, and the bill took its several read-
 ings, and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

**Lutheran Trin-
ity Church.**

A Bill to confirm the organization of the Evangelical
 Lutheran Trinity Church of the Unaltered Augsburg Con-
 fession in Boston, passed to be engrossed by the Senate,
 came down, and, under suspension of the rules moved by
 Mr. Brackett of Boston, the bill took its several readings,
 and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The report of the joint special committee appointed to consider at what time the Legislature may be prorogued, that in the opinion of the committee the Legislature may be prorogued on Thursday, May 12, and suggesting that, if necessary to complete legislative business by that time, an evening session of one or both branches may be had on Wednesday, May 11, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule. Prorogation.

The House Bill to incorporate the Gloucester Street Railway Company came down, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule. Gloucester Street Railway Company.

The House Bill to amend "An Act to provide for the enrolment of the militia, for the organization of the volunteer militia, and for the public defence," came down, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule. Militia law.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill to establish boards of visiting physicians for the State lunatic-hospitals had been rejected by that branch. Visiting physicians.

Evening Session.

Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield moved that when the House adjourns at the end of this afternoon's session, it be to meet again at seven o'clock P.M. Evening session.

On motion of Mr. Andrew of Boston, the motion was laid on the table.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Wells of Cambridge,—

Ordered, That five hundred extra copies of the report of the commissioners on the revision of the Statutes of the Commonwealth be printed and distributed by the clerks of the two branches of the Legislature, under the direction of the joint special committee on the Revision of the Statutes. Revision of the Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston,—

Ordered, That the members of the Judiciary committees of the Senate and House be appointed as members of the joint special committee on the Revision of the Statutes of the Commonwealth. Ibid.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney of Boston,—

Ordered, That the committee on Pay-Roll make up the Pay-roll.

pay-roll for the compensation of members for attendance during the present session of the Legislature; also the travel, to be computed according to the table of distance established by order of the House of Representatives, adopted Feb. 4, 1869; and that the pay of Messrs. Thomas P. Ayer of Winchester, Lucien M. Gilbert of Warren, and Norman W. Shores of Lee, be made up as for the full session.

Reports of Committees.

Agricultural
College.

By Mr. Root of Barre, from the committee on Agriculture, on the eighteenth annual report of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, a Resolution relative to the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Revision of the
Statutes.

By Mr. Morse of Newton, from the joint special committee on the Revision of the Statutes, Resolves in relation to the revision of the Statutes.

Severally read, and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the latter for a second reading.

Resolutions Presented.

Resolutions by
French Cana-
dians.

By Mr. Allen of Lowell, resolutions of J. H. Guillet and others, French Canadians of Lowell; and, by Mr. Stowe of Hudson, resolutions of Rev. P. A. McKenna and others of Hudson,—protesting against certain portions of the annual report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

On motion of Mr. Thomas of Brookline, the resolutions were ordered to be printed, and, on motion of Mr. Allen of Lowell, the 10th joint Rule was suspended that the resolutions might be considered, and they were sent to the Senate for concurrence in suspension of the rule.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the joint special committee on that subject, leave to withdraw, on the petition for the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate of Barnstable County, was further considered, and, pending the motion of Mr. Freeman of Wellfleet to amend by substituting an address to his Excellency the Governor, the House,

At a quarter before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Papers from the Senate.

The Senate Bill relating to the impanelling of juries, passed to be engrossed in concurrence with certain amendments, and sent up for concurrence, came down with the indorsement thereon that the Senate non-concurred, and asked for a committee of conference; Messrs. Bennett, Reed, and Crocker being appointed on its part. The House concurred in the appointment of a committee, and Messrs. Brown of Boston, Wells of Cambridge, and Baker of Beverly were joined on the part of the House.

Juries.

The House Bill concerning the preparation, printing, and distribution of public documents came down from the Senate, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, in all of which the House concurred, under suspension of the rule, except those at "C" and "E," in which the House non-concurred; and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Public documents.

The House Bill to amend "An Act for the protection of birds, birds' eggs, deer, and game," came down from the Senate, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House non-concurred under suspension of the rule, and asked for a committee of conference; and Messrs. Root of Barre, Brown of Boston, and Shores of Lee were appointed on its part. Sent up to be joined.

Game law.

The House bills:

Relating to the taxation of ships and vessels engaged in foreign trade;

Bills.

To prevent deception in sales of butter and cheese; and
In relation to abandoned animals;

Came down, severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rules in each case.

The Bill making appropriations for the double tracking and improvement of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel, reported on the report of the manager of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel, and on an order relative to the management thereof, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and, under suspension of Rule 42, was ordered to a second reading.

Troy and Greenfield Railroad.

*Reports of Committees.***District-attorneys.**

By Mr. Hoar of Concord, from the committee of conference, on the matters of difference between the two branches in relation to the Bill to establish the salaries of district-attorneys, recommending that the House concur in the Senate amendments at "A" and at "C;" and also that the amendment at "B" be amended by striking out the words "twenty-two hundred," and inserting instead the words "twenty-four hundred." Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Associate medical examiner for Suffolk.

By Mr. Lodge of Nahant, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill to provide for an associate medical examiner in the county of Suffolk ought to pass in a new draft, with the title "Bill to amend 'An Act to provide for an associate medical examiner in the county of Suffolk.'" Read, and ordered to a second reading.

*Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.***Bills enacted.****Engrossed bills:**

To confirm certain proceedings in probate courts;

Concerning the presence of minors as spectators in court-rooms;

To authorize the establishment and maintenance of a dog-shelter by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in the city of Boston;

Concerning bounties to agricultural societies; and

To amend "An Act relative to the punishment for drunkenness;"

(Which severally originated in the House);

To change the name of the Massachusetts Mutual Insurance Company; and

To confirm the organization of the Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church of the Unaltered Augsburg Confession in Boston;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.**Engrossed resolves:**

In favor of the State Prison at Concord (which originated in the House); and

Regarding the sewage of the city of Worcester (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Hill of Boston,—

Ordered, That the use of the hall of the House of Representatives be granted to the National Conference of Charities and Correction for its eighth annual session. National Conference of Charities.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the joint special committee on that subject, leave to withdraw, on the petition for the removal of Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate of Barnstable County, was further considered. On the question of substituting for the report the address moved by Mr. Freeman of Wellfleet, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. McGeough of Boston, and, the roll being called, the address was adopted by a vote of 120 yeas to 70 nays, and sent up for concurrence, as follows:— Orders of the day.

To his Excellency JOHN D. LONG,

Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The two branches of the Legislature, in General Court assembled, respectfully request that your Excellency would be pleased, with the consent of the Council, to remove Joseph M. Day from the office of judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Barnstable.

The vote was as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, Charles H.
Almy, James F.
Atwood, Newell S.
Avery, Winslow W.
Ayer, Thomas P.
Bailey, Thomas F.
Baker, John I.
Baker, Thomas J.
Barton, Leonard.
Beckford, Ebenezer.
Bidwell, Marshall S.
Bosworth, Edwin R.
Bryant, George T.
Buck, John W. P.
Budington, Jonathan.
Bugbee, James M.
Burpee, William H.
Burr, Edwin S.

Messrs. Burr, Frank W.
Butler, Edward P.
Butler, John Haskell.
Carleton, George H.
Chamberlain, George D.
Clapp, Frank A.
Clark, William L.
Clarke, Albert E.
Cogswell, William.
Collamore, Francis.
Coolidge, Timothy A.
Corey, Charles A.
Crandall, George N.
Curtis, Hiram.
Cushman, Solomon F.
Davenport, James F.
Davis, Person.
Donovan, Daniel.

Messrs. Dorman, Asahel H.
 Eager, Edward R.
 Eddy, Charles A.
 Evans, James M.
 Farrar, Job P.
 Fay, George F.
 Fellows, Alonzo B.
 Fifield, Benjamin L.
 Floyd, Thomas.
 Forbes, William T.
 Foster, Enoch.
 Freeman, Jesse H.
 French, Hartwell S.
 Gaskill, Leonard T.
 Gifford, Rufus B.
 Gilbert, Lucien M.
 Goulding, Robert.
 Hadley, Stephen D.
 Hale, Silas W.
 Hatch, Silas B.
 Hemphill, Ashton E.
 Hill, Hamilton A.
 Hoar, Samuel.
 Holman, William F.
 Hooper, Arthur.
 Howland, Charles W.
 Hughes, Atkins.
 Jacobs, Joseph, jun.
 Jenks, Henry R.
 Jewett, Albert G.
 Johnson, William.
 Keith, Albert.
 Kendall, Ira Y.
 Livermore, George B.
 Lodge, Henry C.
 Look, Dwight B.
 Mansfield, Andrew.
 Marble, John W.
 Marshall, Asaph R.
 McFarlin, Peleg.
 Metcalf, Edwin D.
 Miller, J. Hervey.

Messrs. Morrison, Daniel T.
 Newell, Richard.
 Noyes, Increase E.
 O'Donnell, John.
 Packard, Davis S.
 Parmenter, Charles O.
 Porter, Vaniah M.
 Rand, John C.
 Richardson, Nat'l, jun.
 Richardson, Solon O.
 Root, Thomas P.
 Russell, William W.
 Sanborn, John H.
 Sawin, Otis D.
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Sheppard, Joel F.
 Smith, Remember.
 Snow, William O.
 Sprague, Henry H.
 Stevens, Ezra A.
 Stickney, Joseph W.
 Stover, Augustus W.
 Stowe, Edmund M.
 Strong, Sidney.
 Sullivan, John C.
 Tapley, Gilbert A.
 Tappan, William H.
 Thompson, Joseph W.
 Tufts, Arthur W.
 Tufts, Joseph A.
 Valpey, Samuel B.
 Vinal, Quincy A.
 Vining, David T.
 Walker, Aaron G.
 Wardwell, Henry.
 Wells, Henry J.
 White, Lloyd E.
 Whitney, Giles H.
 Whitney, Levi L.
 Willcutt, Levi L.
 Wilson, Arthur H.
 Wonson, Wm. H., 3d.

NAYS.

Messrs. Albee, Sumner.
 Allen, Frank D.
 Andrew, John F.
 Bixby, Nelson H.
 Bowerman, Samuel W.
 Brackett, John Q. A.

Messrs. Brown, Charles F.
 Brown, Leonard.
 Brown, William B.
 Bulloch, Andrew.
 Bumstead, Josiah.
 Burke, William J.

Messrs. Cable, Hobart M.	Messrs. McGeough, James A.
Cannon, Peter.	Mellen, James H.
Carpenter, Edward C.	Merritt, Christopher C.
Carroll, Lewis.	Moriarty, Eugene M.
Cawley, Edward.	Morse, George W.
Cleveland, Tristram.	Mullane, Jeremiah H.
Coffin, Amos.	Murphy, Timothy A.
Colton, John W.	Muzzey, Henry W.
Cronin, Cornelius F.	Nichols, Joseph J.
Crowell, James A.	Parratt, George A.
Dickerman, John E.	Plunkett, Francis.
Dunham, Henry J.	Prouty, Isaac L.
Edwards, James.	Quirk, Dennis G.
Fay, Thomas, jun.	Reade, John.
Fernald, B. Marvin.	Reed, Charles A.
Fuller, Luther F.	Robbins, Oliver W.
Gill, Charles L.	Shepard, George A.
Goodwin, John.	Smith, Zenas E.
Hamlin, Joseph P.	Steele, Isaac A. S.
Hayden, Edward D.	Stevens, Edward G.
Howard, Robert.	Stevens, J. Tyler.
Joyce, John.	Switt, Charles F.
Kelley, Watson B.	Taayer, S. Proctor.
Kelly, Francis B.	Thomas, Edward I.
Lamb, Abraham J.	Walker, Samuel.
Love, John J.	Warren, Nathan.
Lyon, Henry.	White, James.
Mahoney, Patrick F.	Wood, Owen.
McGahey, Alex. B.	Wright, John H.

Yeas, 120 ; nays, 70.

On this question Messrs. Brown of Boston, Bail of Boston, Lincoln of Barnstable, Tinkham of Boston, Canterbury of Weymouth, Wales of Randolph, Sawyer of West Boylston, Rice of Florida, Peck of Wilbraham, Fiske of Holliston, Coney of Springfield, Fowler of Salem, Wilcox of Milford, Learnard of Boston, and E. R. Webster of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired respectively with Messrs. Dever of Boston, Shepard of Boston, Gifford of Falmouth, Shores of Lee, Porter of Quincy, Burt of Boston, Paddock of Nantucket, Lawrence of Groton, Jefferson of Worcester, Galvin of Boston, Phillips of Springfield, McManus of Natick, Hartwell of Southbridge, Mackintosh of Needham, and McDonald of Boston.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the Resolve authorizing the appointment of a commission to consider the expediency of changing the equity system of the Common- Equity system.

wealth was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a third time, and, after debate, was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At thirty-five minutes past five o'clock adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, May 12, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Bills Enacted, and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To amend "An Act to provide for the enrolment of the militia, for the organization of the volunteer militia, and for the public defence;"

To incorporate the Gloucester Street Railway Company;

To supply the village of Chicopee Falls, in Chicopee, with pure water; and

To aid in preserving order at elections;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Engrossed resolves:

Providing for certain improvements at the State House; and

Directing transfers between certain sinking-funds;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

**Sales of liquor
on election days.**

By Mr. Look of Leominster, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquor on all days of election.

**Prison commis-
sioners.**

By Mr. Bail of Boston, from the committee on Prisons, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the commissioners of prisons.

Severally read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

**Lynn police
court.**

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee of conference, on the matters of difference between the two branches in relation to the Bill to establish the salaries of the standing

justice and clerk of the police court of Lynn, recommending that the House agree to the Senate amendment, was read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Vinal of Somerville, from the committee on the State House, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to constructing one or more passenger elevators in the State House. Read, accepted under suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Elevators in
State House.

By Mr. Bugbee of Boston, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches in relation to the Bill to relieve property from double taxation in certain cases, that they have unanimously agreed to recommend that the House concur in the Senate amendments at "A," "C," "D," "E," and "H;" that the Senate recede from the amendment at "B;" and that the amendments at "F" and "G" be so far modified that section 8 read as follows:—

Double taxation.

"Section 8. Savings banks and institutions for savings, including the Massachusetts Hospital Life-Insurance Company, shall not be required to pay to the treasurer of the Commonwealth taxes upon such portion of their deposits as is invested in loans secured by mortgages of taxable real estate."

Read, and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Hayden of Woburn, the Bill providing for a resurvey and establishment of the harbor-lines at East Boston was discharged from the orders of the day. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on further motion of the same gentleman, indefinitely postponed, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

East Boston
harbor-lines.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Bowerman of Pittsfield moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House yesterday afternoon concurred with the Senate in certain amendments to the House Bill relating to the taxation of ships and vessels engaged in foreign trade.

Ships in foreign
trade.

The motion was lost.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports:

Recounting
votes in Boston.

Of the committee on Election Laws, that the Bill (on leave) in relation to the recounting of votes in the city of Boston should be referred to the next General Court; and

Pay of harbor
and land com-
missioners.

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to paying an extra compensation to the harbor and land commissioners for services rendered in the year 1880;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule.

Revision of the
Statutes.

The House order relative to the appointment of the members of the Judiciary committees of the Senate and House as members of the joint special committee on the Revision of the Statutes came down with the indorsement thereon that the Senate concurred, with an amendment, striking out the words "the members of the Judiciary committees be appointed," and inserting in the place thereof the words "four members on the part of the Senate, and eight members on the part of the House of Representatives, be added."

On motion of Mr Bowerman of Pittsfield, consideration of the matter was postponed until the afternoon.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The Bill to establish the salaries of the board of harbor and land commissioners was read a third time, amended, on motions of Messrs. Jefferson of Worcester and Gifford of Salem, passed to be engrossed in concurrence as amended, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The Bill relative to the power of conferring degrees was read a third time, and, after debate, was rejected, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Resolve in reference to the double tracking of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel was read a second time, and considered; and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, the orders of the day were laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem.

At quarter before one o'clock adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Bills Enacted, and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

Relative to abandoned animals;

Relating to the taxation of ships and vessels engaged in foreign trade;

To establish the salaries of district-attorneys;

To establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court of Lynn; and

To prevent deception in sales of butter and cheese;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Defining the duties and fixing the compensation of certain appointees of the sergeant-at-arms;

To amend chapter 186 of the Acts of the year 1880, relating to the removal of executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees; and

To incorporate the East Boston Railway Dock and Elevator Company;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in reference to the double tracking of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Baker of Beverly, from the committee on Rules and Orders, on an order relative to repealing chapter 160 of the Acts of the year 1880, relating to the presentation of business to the General Court, and on an order relative to repealing or amending the laws relative to applications to the Legislature for general or special legislation, a Bill to repeal "An Act relating to the preparation and presentation to the General Court of public and private business." On motion of Mr. Baker, the rules were suspended; and the bill took its several readings, was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Presentation of business to the General Court.

By Mr. Gifford of Salem, from the committee on the State House, under authority of section 9 of chapter 5 of the General Statutes, a Resolve providing for repairs on the State House. On motion of Mr. Gifford, the rules were suspended; and the resolve took its several readings, and was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Repairs on the State House.

State tax.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on the report of the auditor of accounts, a Bill to apportion and assess a State tax of one million five hundred thousand dollars. Read, and ordered to a second reading. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Hill, the rule was suspended; and the bill was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Papers from the Senate.

Equity system.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Resolve authorizing the appointment of a commission concerning the equity system of the Commonwealth had been rejected by that branch.

Resolutions by French Canadians.

The Resolutions protesting against certain portions of the annual report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, presented yesterday in the House, under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule, came down with the indorsement thereon that the Senate concurred.

On motion of Mr. Allen of Lowell, they were referred to the chief of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, and sent up for concurrence.

Removal of executors, etc.

A Bill to amend chapter 186 of the Acts of the year 1880, relating to the removal of executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, took its several readings, under suspension of the rules moved by Mr. Wells of Cambridge, and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Revision of Statutes.

The House concurred in the Senate amendment to the House order relative to adding, as members of the joint special committee on the Revision of the Statutes, the members of the Judiciary committees of the Senate and House of Representatives.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The Resolve in reference to the double tracking of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel was further considered, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day having been laid upon the table, it was, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence under suspension of the rules.

The Resolution relative to the Massachusetts Agricultural College was considered, and, after debate, was adopted, and sent up for concurrence, as follows:—

Resolution relative to the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Resolved, That the Governor and Council and the State Board of Agriculture are hereby requested to consider the expediency of so re-organizing the management of the college as to better accomplish the purposes for which it was established; to bring it into closer relations with the farmers and agriculturists of the State; and to increase the number of its students from this Commonwealth.

The Resolve in relation to a revision of the Statutes was read a second time, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day having been laid on the table, the resolve was discharged from the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, and was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill making appropriations for the double tracking and improvement of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day having been laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Baker of Beverly, the bill was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence under suspension of the rules.

The Bill to amend "An Act to provide for an associate medical examiner in the county of Suffolk" was read a second time, amended on motion of Mr. Lodge of Nahant, and ordered to a third reading.

At half-past five o'clock the House adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, May 18, 1881.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Tufts of Boston, from the committee on Finance, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the deputy tax commissioner.

Deputy tax commissioner's report.

Report of auditor.

By Mr. Merritt of Springfield, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the auditor of accounts.

Polls, property, etc.

By Mr. J. G. Webster of Boston, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the aggregates of polls, property, taxes, etc.

Severally read, and accepted under suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

Constables and clerks of Boston municipal courts.

A report of the committee on Expenditures, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to the salaries of constables and clerks of the municipal courts of the city of Boston, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule.

Joseph M. Day.

Notice was received from the Senate that the address to his Excellency John D. Long, Governor, for the removal of Joseph M. Day, judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Barnstable, had failed to pass that branch.

Game law.

A report of the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches in relation to the Bill to amend "An Act for the protection of birds, birds' eggs, deer, and game," that the House should concur in the amendment striking out the fifth section, and that the Senate should recede from its amendment striking out the third and fourth sections, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule.

Taxes on savings banks.

A report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowing savings banks and institutions for savings to deduct from the tax paid by them to the Commonwealth all municipal taxes, insurance premiums, and water-rates, on all real estate held by them under the provisions of section 26 of chapter 203 of the Acts of the year 1876, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule.

Proceedings in probate courts.

An engrossed Bill to confirm certain proceedings in probate courts came down from the Senate with an amendment. On motion of Mr. Forbes of Westborough, the vote whereby the bill was passed to be enacted was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on its enactment, the same gentleman moved a suspension of the rule which provides that no engrossed bill shall be amended. The motion prevailed, and, on further motion of the same gentleman, the House concurred with the Senate in its amendment, and the bill was returned to that branch indorsed accordingly.

An engrossed Bill to amend chapter 186 of the Acts of the year 1880, relating to the removal of executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees, came down from the Senate with an amendment. On motion of Mr. Forbes of Westborough, the vote whereby the bill was passed to be enacted by the House was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on its enactment, the same gentleman moved a suspension of the rule which provides that no engrossed bill shall be amended. The motion prevailed, and, on further motion of the same gentleman, the House concurred with the Senate in its amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Removal of ex-
ecutors, etc.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill to repeal "An Act relating to the preparation and presentation to the General Court, of public and private business," had been rejected by that branch.

Presentation of
business to
General Court.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches in relation to the Bill to relieve property from double taxation in certain cases, was considered, and, after debate, was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the
day.

Bills:

To amend "An Act to provide for an associate medical examiner in the county of Suffolk;" and

To apportion and assess a State tax of one million five hundred thousand dollars;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the Bill relating to the taxation of deposits in savings banks was taken from the table, and, after debate, was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Savings-bank
deposits.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell of Salem, the report of the committee on Expenditures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the compensation of the members of the General Court, was taken from the table, accepted, and sent up for concurrence. Subsequently Mr. Gifford of Salem moved to reconsider the vote whereby the report was accepted. The motion prevailed, and, pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, Mr.

Compensation
of members.

Gifford moved to amend by substituting for the report a bill, which, after debate, was lost. The report was then rejected, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

Bills Enacted, and Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Bills:

Concerning the preparation, printing, and distribution of public documents (which originated in the House); and

To establish the salaries of the board of harbor and land commissioners;

In relation to elections in the city of Boston; and

Making appropriations for the double tracking and improvement of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve providing for repairs on the State House (which originated in the House) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Motion to Reconsider.

State tax.

Mr. Hill of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Bill to apportion and assess a State tax of one million five hundred thousand dollars was passed to be engrossed by the House. The motion was lost.

At quarter before one o'clock adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Papers from the Senate.

Agricultural College.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Resolution relative to the Massachusetts Agricultural College had been rejected by that branch.

Revision of the Statutes.

The order relative to increasing the number of the joint special committee on the Revision of the Statutes came down with the indorsement thereon that Messrs. Lilley, Rockwell, and Tirrell were appointed on the part of the Senate.

The Speaker appointed, on the part of the House, Messrs. Cogswell of Salem, Muzzey of Cambridge, McGeough of Boston, Andrew of Boston, Hoar of Concord,

Lodge of Nahant, Reed of Taunton, and Coney of Springfield.

The report of the committee of conference, on the matters of difference between the two branches concerning the Bill relating to the impanelling of juries, that the Senate should concur in the amendments of the House, accepted by the Senate, was read, and accepted in concurrence under suspension of the rule. Juries.

The House Resolve in relation to a revision of the Statutes came down, passed in concurrence, in the form of resolutions with the same title and the same provisions as the resolve; in which amendment the House concurred under suspension of the rule. Revision of the Statutes.

The resolutions were as follows:—

Resolutions in Relation to a Revision of the Statutes.

Resolved, That, with a view to the speedy completion of the work of consolidating and arranging the General Statutes of the Commonwealth, as provided by chapter forty-six of the Resolves of the year eighteen hundred and eighty, the joint special committee to whom was referred so much of the address of his Excellency the Governor as relates to that subject, be authorized, after the prorogation of the present session of the General Court, to continue their examination and revision of the report of the commissioners appointed under said Resolve, and for that purpose said committee may hold their sessions in the Senate chamber or other convenient room in the State House; and that they have power to employ a competent person or persons to make an index to the Statutes, and to employ such clerical assistance, and require the services of such officers of the Legislature, and do such other acts, as they shall deem necessary for the convenient despatch of their business and proceedings.

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be requested to call an extra session of the General Court on the second Wednesday of November of the current year, to the end that the Statutes as consolidated, arranged, and revised by the said commissioners and the committee, may be enacted to take effect on the first day of January in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-two, or as soon thereafter as possible.

Resolved, That the commissioners appointed under the provisions of chapter forty-six of the Resolves of the year eighteen hundred and eighty, to consolidate and arrange

the Statutes of the Commonwealth, be requested to attend the sessions of the said committee when invited so to do, and to give such explanations of their consolidation and arrangement of the Statutes as will aid the committee in the examination and revision of their report.

Resolved, That the said committee be authorized to report in print, and, if they deem it expedient, to purchase the type necessary to enable the State printers to hold all the matter in type until the Statutes are passed to be enacted by the Legislature.

Savings-bank
deposits.

The House Bill relating to taxation of deposits in savings banks came down, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred under suspension of the rule.

Subsequently a message was received from the Senate, requesting the return of the bill to that branch. On motion of Mr. Bugbee of Boston, the vote whereby the House concurred in the Senate amendment was reconsidered. The question recurring on concurring in the amendment, Mr. Thomas of Brookline moved that the bill be returned, in accordance with the request of the Senate. The motion prevailed, and Mr. Thomas was appointed the committee to return the bill to the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Pay-roll.

By Mr. Bailey of Scituate, from the committee on Pay-Roll, who were instructed to make up the pay-roll of the members of the House of Representatives, also to make up the list of compensation to members for mileage, recommending the adoption of the following order, with accompanying schedule:—

Ordered, That the accompanying schedule, showing that the amount of \$120,500 is due the members of the House of Representatives for attendance at the present session of the General Court, and that the sum of \$1,989 is due for compensation for mileage, is approved, and the same be sent to the treasurer and receiver-general of the Commonwealth.

Read and accepted under suspension of the rule, and the order was adopted, and signed by the Speaker.

Common-
wealth's flats.

By Mr. J. G. Webster of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in relation to the Commonwealth's flats at South Boston ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Hill of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the resolve took its several readings, was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Hill of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill in further addition to "An Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for other purposes." On motion of Mr. Hill, the rules were suspended, and the bill took its several readings, and was passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence. Appropriation bill.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the estimates of appropriations for the several departments. Read, and, under suspension of the rule moved by Mr. Hill of Boston, the report was accepted. Estimates of appropriations.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Muzzey of Cambridge, a Resolve in favor of the doorkeepers, assistant doorkeepers, postmaster, messengers, and pages of the Senate and House of Representatives. Read, and considered under suspension of the 10th joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. Pay of doorkeepers, etc.

Resolutions.

Mr. Shepard of Boston being in the chair, Mr. Dunham of Stockbridge offered the following resolution:— Resolution of thanks to the Speaker.

Resolved, That the thanks of the House of Representatives are hereby tendered to the Hon. Charles J. Noyes for the ability, courtesy, and impartiality with which he has performed the important and delicate duties of the chair during the present session.

After remarks by Messrs. Dunham of Stockbridge, Cogswell of Salem, Hill of Boston, Brackett of Boston, Plunkett of Worcester, Lodge of Nahant, Allen of Lowell, Hayden of Woburn, Thomas of Brookline, Almy of Salem, Allen of Lynn, White of Taunton, Mellen of Worcester, Brown of Boston, and Stevens of Malden, the resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The Speaker resumed the chair, and spoke as follows:—

Fellow-Representatives,—Your kind resolution, and the many pleasant words which have emphasized it, overwhelm me with a sense of grateful obligation. I am glad to regard it no idle formality prompted by mere custom. And for this beautiful floral tribute—fresh as the morning dew, bright as the noon-day sun, beautiful as the harmony of this House, sweet as the friendship that shall ever linger between us—I express to you the deepest and most grateful emotion of my heart. Your courtesy and co-operation during the session have been constant and unvarying.

Whatever of success has attended my administration of this honorable and delicate station, I owe to these. In all I have striven to be impartial and fair. If I have ever seemed otherwise, I trust I have been acquitted of such intent, as you recalled the difficulty of applying our rules upon the instant, and the inability of the Chair to respond at once to the eager wish of every member. An apparent injustice to one is often justice due to another and to the whole. I make no higher claim than that of doing my best, imperfect as it is; of an ambition to be dutiful more than technical, and to facilitate the proper work of the session. In this you have cordially seconded my endeavor.

Let me congratulate you on the completion of our general business. It has been neither simple nor light. Much has been accomplished; time will demonstrate how wisely. More has been permitted to perish,—a thing rarely to be regretted. There is wisdom in a thin “Blue Book.” Your fidelity to duty, patience under the infliction of debate, independence of personal leadership, self-reliant judgment, exemption from results of outside dictation; your despatch that was not haste, and deliberation that was not halting uncertainty,—deserve the highest commendation. One subject of paramount importance—the consideration of the Revision of the Statutes—has, it seems to me, been wisely postponed to a more fitting occasion, beyond the reach of political agitation and the distraction of general legislation. I am confident time and reflection will vindicate that action. In charge of a large and competent committee, it will not fail to merit and receive your ready acceptance. I have no sympathy with the flippant commentary of carping critics who belittle the character, and deride the capacity, of those to whom the people confide their highest concerns. A somewhat lengthened experience only serves to confirm my respect for a Massachusetts House of Representatives—second to no deliberative assembly in the world.

To my official associates I renew my grateful acknowledgments. I should do violence to every feeling did I fail to thank our estimable and efficient clerk. With a daily observation of his rare diligence, accuracy, and ability, and the vast labor incident to his position, I can appreciate his invaluable service. His able and accomplished assistant should share in this praise. To our reverend chaplain, whose high qualities befit his exalted duty, we are deeply indebted. Nor can I omit our agreeable and faithful sergeant-at-arms and his courteous assistants. To each and all I return grateful thanks and kind wishes.

And now the hour of parting is at hand. For a time we return to our usual avocations, and bid adieu to legislative chambers. We go not away with our original circle unbroken. Death has thrice visited us, and taken esteemed associates; but, while we sorrow in their loss, we are glad to feel their places have been filled so ably. May we re-assemble, with strength renewed and zeal unabated, to complete the work now left undone, in a manner worthy the law-makers of a Christian Commonwealth, and so merit the commendation of our constituents.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Avery of Plymouth:—

Resolution of
thanks to the
Clerk.

Resolved, That the thanks of the House of Representatives are hereby tendered to its efficient clerk, Mr. George A. Marden, for the very prompt, faithful, and courteous manner in which he has performed the duties of his office for the present year, and for his uniform kindness and courtesy extended toward all members, and for the good judgment and celerity evinced in performing his many difficult and important duties with entire devotion to the best interests of the Commonwealth.

After remarks by Messrs. Avery of Plymouth, Thayer of North Adams, and Moriarty of Worcester, the resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. O'Neil of Boston:—

Resolution of
thanks to the
Sergeant-at-
arms.

Resolved, That the thanks of the House be extended to our efficient sergeant-at-arms, Oreb F. Mitchell, and his faithful and competent assistants, for the very capable, agreeable, and satisfactory manner in which they have performed their various official duties.

After remarks by Mr. O'Neil, the resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Mr. Thomas of Brookline offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:—

Resolution of
thanks to the
Chaplain.

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are hereby extended to Rev. Daniel W. Waldron for the very acceptable and faithful service rendered by him as chaplain during the present session.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill relating to the taxation of deposits in savings banks came down again from the Senate, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with amendments. The House concurred in the amendment at "A," and in the

Savings-bank
deposits.

amendment at "B" with an amendment moved by Mr. Wells of Cambridge, so changing said amendment that the Act should take effect on the first day of July, 1881, instead of the first day of January, 1882, as provided by the Senate; and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Subsequently the bill again came down from the Senate with the indorsement thereon that the Senate non-concurred in the House amendment, Messrs. Hastings, Bennett, and Fessenden being appointed a committee of conference on its part. The House concurred in the appointment of a committee, and Messrs. Wells of Cambridge, Sawin of Templeton, and Brown of Marblehead were joined on the part of the House.

The report of this committee, that they were unable to agree, afterwards came down from the Senate, accepted by that branch, and was accepted in concurrence.

Mr. Morse of Newton then moved that the House recede from its amendment. Mr. Wells of Cambridge moved that the House adhere. The question being taken on the motion of Mr. Morse, it prevailed, and the bill was returned to the Senate indorsed accordingly.

Compensation
of doorkeepers,
etc.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Resolve (on leave) in favor of the doorkeepers, assistant doorkeepers, postmaster, messengers, and pages of the Senate and House of Representatives had been referred by that branch to the next General Court, under the 10th joint Rule.

Bills Enacted, and Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To amend "An Act to provide for an associate medical examiner in the county of Suffolk;"

To confirm certain proceedings in probate courts;

To apportion and assess a State tax of one million five hundred thousand dollars;

To amend "An Act for the protection of birds, birds' eggs, deer, and game;"

Relieving property from double taxation in certain cases;

In further addition to "An Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for other purposes;" and

Relating to the taxation of deposits in savings banks;
(Which severally originated in the House);

To amend chapter 186 of the Acts of the year 1880, relating to the removal of executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees; and

Relating to the impanelling of juries in the county of Suffolk;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in relation to the Commonwealth's flats at South Boston (which originated in the House) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Leave to Introduce a Resolve Refused.

Mr. Dever of Boston asked leave to introduce a Resolve in favor of the doorkeepers, assistant doorkeepers, messengers, and pages of the Senate and House of Representatives. Leave was refused by a vote of 55 to 64. Doorkeepers, etc.

Prorogation.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to wait on his Excellency the Governor, and inform him that the two branches of the Legislature have disposed of all the public business which has been brought before them, and to request him, with the advice and consent of the Council, to prorogue them to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday of January next.

Messrs. Crocker, Martin, and Ames having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Dunham of Stockbridge, Wells of Cambridge, Milliken of New Bedford, Plunkett of Worcester, Tufts of Boston, McFarlin of Carver, Paddock of Nantucket, and French of Lynn, were appointed on the part of the House.

Mr. Dunham afterwards reported that the committee had waited upon his Excellency, and informed him of the action of the two branches, who, in behalf of himself and the Executive Council, desired the committee to convey to the two branches of the Legislature their congratulations upon the satisfactory conclusion of its labors, and their personal regard to its members, with the wish that they may have a happy return to their homes; that the Governor and Council looked forward to meeting them again at the brief extra session in November next, their request for calling which had been transmitted to his Excellency by the clerk of the Senate. A further communication would be

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George Heywood, ... 6,	Concord . .	May 24, 1826,	Concord . . .	Lawyer	1880.
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George Marston, <i>Attorney-General</i> . . .	New Bedford . . .	Oct. 15, 1821,	Barnstable . . .	Lawyer . . .	1879.
A. Hun Berry, <i>Adjutant-General</i> . . .	Boston . . .	Nov. 27, 1830,	Boston . . .	Farmer . . .	1879.

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Third " . . .	James L. Quigley . . .	" . . .	Sept. 4, 1848, . . .	Boston . . .	Painter . . .	1879. ¹
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Fifth " . . .	John B. Martin . . .	" . . .	Mar. 1, 1848, . . .	" . . .	Trader . . .	1875. ¹
Sixth " . . .	Charles H. Allen . . .	" . . .	June 14, 1828, . . .	" . . .	Pres. Home S. B'k, . . .	1878. ¹
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Essex County.						
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Third " . . .	Francis Norwood . . .	Beverly . . .	Jan. 10, 1841,	Rockport . . .	Shoe Manufact'r . .	1881. ²
Fourth " . . .	Joseph N. Rolfe . . .	Newbury . . .	Aug. 24, 1822,	Newbury . . .	Farmer . . .	1869. ¹
Fifth " . . .	Charles B. Rice . . .	Danvers . . .	June 29, 1829,	Conway . . .	Clergyman . . .	1876. ¹
Sixth " . . .	John A. Wiley . . .	N. Andover . . .	Feb. 1, 1825,	Wakefield . . .	Manufacturer . . .	1868. ¹
Middlesex County.						
First District . . .	Elisha S. Converse . . .	Malden . . .	July 28, 1820,	Needham . . .	Treas. and Agent,	1878. ¹
Second " . . .	Robert R. Bishop . . .	Newton . . .	Mar. 31, 1834,	Medfield . . .	Lawyer . . .	1874. ¹

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Third " " "	Leander M. Hannum	Cambridge	Dec. 22, 1837,	Northampton	General Business	1878. ¹
Fourth " " "	Charles Q. Tirrell	Natick	Dec. 10, 1844,	Sharon	Lawyer	1872. ¹
Fifth " " "	Anson D. Fessenden	Townsend	Feb. 18, 1839,	Townsend	Manufacturer	1865. ¹
Sixth " " "	Thomas Winship	Wakefield	Oct. 14, 1826,	South Reading,	Banker	1876. ¹
Seventh " " "	Charles S. Lilley	Lowell	Dec. 13, 1851,	Lowell	Lawyer	1890. ²
WORCESTER COUNTY.						
First District	Thomas J. Hastings	Worcester	Jan. 24, 1835,	Camden, Me.	Manufacturer	1877. ¹
Second " "	William Abbott	Douglas	Nov. 26, 1834,	Temple, Me.	Real Estate Agent,	1874. ¹
Third " "	Chester C. Corbin	Webster	Sept. 25, 1841,	Dudley	Shoe Manufact'r	1881. ²
Fourth " "	John M. Moore	Gardiner	July, 1829,	Westminster	Manufacturer	1856. ¹
Fifth " "	Daniel B. Ingalls	Clinton	May 29, 1829,	Sutton, Vt.	Dentist	1890. ¹
HAMPDEN COUNTY.						
First District	Marcus P. Knowlton	Springfield	Feb. 3, 1839,	Wilbraham	Lawyer	1878. ¹
Second " "	Emerson Gaylord	Chicopee	Sept 2, 1817,	South Hadley	Manufacturer	1866. ¹
HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.						
Hampshire District	Samuel M. Cook	Granby	Nov. 1, 1822,	Granby	Farmer	1881. ²
FRANKLIN COUNTY.						
Franklin District	Joseph H. Root	Montague	Feb. 19, 1823,	Montague	Retired	1872. ¹
BERKSHIRE COUNTY.						
North Berkshire District,	Francis W. Rockwell	Pittsfield	May 26, 1844,	Pittsfield	Lawyer	1879. ¹
South " "	Elizur Smith	Lee	Jan. 6, 1812,	Sandisfield	Paper Manufact'r.	1849. ¹
NORFOLK COUNTY.						
First District	David W. Tucker	Milton	Aug. 22, 1820,	Milton	Farmer	1871. ¹
Second " "	James P. Ray	Franklin	Aug. 1, 1820,	Mendon	Manufacturer	1861. ¹

¹ House of Representatives.

² Senate.

DISTRICTS.	SENATORS.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st Year in Leg.
PLYMOUTH COUNTY.						
First District . . .	Ebenezer T. Fogg .	South Scituate,	Oct. 30, 1826,	Scituate .	Tr. S. S. Sav. B'k,	1890. ²
Second " . . .	Starkes Whiton .	Hingham .	Apr. 11, 1829,	Hingham .	Tr. Hing'm W. Co.	1890. ²
BRISTOL COUNTY.						
First District . . .	Oliver Ames .	Easton .	Feb. 4, 1831,	Easton .	Shovel Manufact'r,	1890. ²
Second " . . .	Milton Reed .	Fall River .	Oct. 1, 1848,	Haverhill .	Lawyer .	1881. ²
Third " . . .	George B. Richmond .	New Bedford .	Nov. 9, 1821,	New Bedford .	Accountant .	1852. ¹
BARNSTABLE, NANTUCKET AND DUKES COUNTIES.						
Cape District . . .	Samuel Snow .	Barnstable .	Apr. 14, 1828,	Hyannis .	Lumber Dealer .	1876. ¹

¹ House of Representatives.² Senate.

OFFICERS OF THE SENATE.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	1st Year in Office.
Stephen N. Gifford, <i>Clerk</i>	Duxbury .	July 21, 1815,	Pembroke .	1858.
Edmund Dowse, <i>Chaplain</i>	Sherborn .	Jan. 30, 1818,	Sherborn .	1880. ¹
O. F. Mitchell, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i>	Bridgewater .	1838,	Wareham .	1875.

¹ Member of the Senate 1869, 1870.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

CHARLES J. NOYES, SPEAKER.

DISTRICTS.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st Year in Leg. ¹
BARNSTABLE COUNTY.						
No. 1	James E. Gifford	Falmouth	May 15, 1832, ...	Falmouth	Farmer	1880.
2	Clark Lincoln	Barnstable	Jan. 1, 1821, ...	Brewster	Hardware Dealer	1880.
3	Charles F. Swift	Yarmouth	June 18, 1825, ...	Falmouth	Editor and Publisher, ...	1857. ²
4	Watson B. Kelley	Harwich	Dec. 11, 1824, ...	Harwich	Coal Dealer	1881.
5	Jesse H. Freeman	Wellfleet	Aug. 18, 1826, ...	Wellfleet	Agent of Wharf Co.	1880.
6	Atkins Hughes	Truro	Aug. 14, 1828, ...	Truro	Master Mariner	1881.
BERKSHIRE COUNTY.						
No. 1	John W. P. Buck	Clarksburg	July 15, 1822, ...	Chittenden, Vt.	School-teacher	1881.
2	Nelson H. Bixby	Adams	Sept. 27, 1840, ...	Halifax, Vt.	Lawyer	1881.
3	S. Proctor Thayer	N. Adams	July 1, 1853, ...	North Adams	Lawyer	1880.
	Sam'l W. Bowerman, ...	Pittsfield	May 10, 1822, ...	Adams	Lawyer	1860.
4	Oliver W. Robbins	"	Aug. 20, 1812, ...	Pittsfield	Shoe Manufacturer	1881.
5	Frederick S. Rice	Florida	July 3, 1836, ...	Charlemon	Hotel-keeper	1881.
5	Alexander Hyde ³	Lee	Sept. 25, 1814, ...	Lee	Farmer	1881.
5	Norman W. Shores, ⁴	"	June, 1880, ...	Norfolk, Conn..	Lawyer	1876. ²
6	Henry J. Dunham	Stockbridge	1832, ...	Savoy	Lawyer	1871.
7	Marshall S. Bidwell, ...	Monterey	Aug. 24, 1824, ...	Tyringham	Farmer	1881.
8	George A. Shepard	Sandisfield	Dec. 23, 1820, ...	Sandisfield	Teacher	1881.

¹ In House, unless otherwise specified. ² Senate. ³ Mr. Hyde died Jan. 11, 1881. ⁴ Mr. Shores was elected to fill vacancy caused by death of Mr. Hyde.

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BRISTOL COUNTY.						
No. 1 . . .	George N. Crandall.	Attleborough.	Oct. 27, 1819.	Charlestown, R.I.	Merchant	1881.
2 . . .	Burrill Porter, jun.	"	Feb. 22, 1832.	Charlestown, N.H.	Teacher	1881.
3 . . .	William O. Snow	Raynham	June 13, 1829.	Raynham.	Manufacturer	1881.
4 . . .	James M. Evans	Taunton	June 13, 1837.	Freetown.	Grocer	1880.
5 . . .	Charles A. Reed	"	June 16, 1836.	Weymouth	Lawyer	1881.
6 . . .	Lloyd E. White	"	Dec. 12, 1849.	Norton	Lawyer	1881.
7 . . .	John W. Marble	Freetown	1826.	Somerset	"	1881.
8 . . .	Eben C. Milliken	New Bedford.	Aug. 6, 1843.	Winsor, Me.	Baker	1880.
9 . . .	James A. Crowell	"	Mar. 7, 1817.	Orleans	Master Mariner	1881.
10 . . .	Albert E. Clarke	"	May 26, 1846.	Barbadoes	Lawyer	1881.
11 . . .	Andrew Bulloch	"	Dec. 3, 1823.	Scotland	Merchant	1879.
12 . . .	Henry A. Slocum	Dartmouth	Dec. 1, 1825.	Dartmouth	Farmer	1880.
13 . . .	Robert Howard	Fall River	Feb. 8, 1844.	England	Mule Spinner	1881.
14 . . .	Frank W. Burr	"	July 2, 1849.	Freetown	Clerk	1881.
15 . . .	John Stanton	"	1851.	Ireland	Manufacturer	1881.
16 . . .	James F. Davenport,	"	Mar. 4, 1832.	Belleville, N.J.	Retired	1880.
17 . . .	Silas B. Hatch	"	Jan. 20, 1851.	Fall River	Overseer	1881.
18 . . .	Remember Smith	Rehoboth	Feb. 21, 1822.	Rehoboth.	Farmer	1881.
DUKES COUNTY.						
No. 1 . . .	Tristram Cleveland.	Cottage City.	Dec. 15, 1820.	Edgartown	Carpenter	1881.
ESSEX COUNTY.						
No. 1 . . .	N. Richardson, jun	Rockport	Sept. 3, 1840.	Rockport	Grocer	1881.
2 . . .	Wm. H. Wouson, 3d,	Gloucester	June 22, 1826.	Gloucester	Merchant	1881.
3 . . .	Isaac A. S. Steele	"	Feb. 2, 1840.	"	Sailmaker	1881.

3	William H. Tappan,	Manchester	Oct. 30, 1821,	Manchester	Surveyor .	1881.
4	Gilbert A. Tapley	Danvers	Feb. 24, 1823,	Danvers	Manufacturer .	1881.
5	John I. Baker	Beverly	Aug. 16, 1812,	Beverly	Real Estate	1840.
6	William Cogswell	Salem	Aug. 23, 1838,	Bradford	Lawyer .	1870.
7	James F. Almy	"	July 24, 1833,	Adams	Manufacturer .	1881.
8	Rufus B. Gifford	"	Mar. 8, 1827,	Salem	Builder .	1880.
9	Charles B. Fowler	"	July 23, 1835,	Belfast, Me.	Insurance	1881.
10	William B. Brown	Marblehead	Aug. 12, 1821,	Marblehead	Treasurer	1867.
11	Lewis Carroll	"	Oct. 10, 1845,	"	Shoe-cutter	1878.
12	Ebenezer Beckford	Lynn	May 7, 1833,	Boston	Literature	1880.
13	H. Cabot Lodge	Nahant	May 12, 1850,	Turner, Me.	Mechanic	1881.
14	Hartwell S. French	Lynn	June 17, 1839,	Worcester	Lawyer	1881.
15	Frank D. Allen	"	Aug. 16, 1850,	Lynn	Clothing Dealer	1880.
16	Samuel B. Valpey	Peabody	Aug. 22, 1829,	Ipswich	Lawyer .	1879.
17	Henry Wardwell	Lynnfield	Apr. 28, 1840,	Lynnfield	Farmer .	1881.
18	Andrew Mansfield	N. Andover	May 2, 1838,	Wells, Me.	Leather Dealer	1881.
19	Thomas K. Gilman	Ipswich	Aug. 11, 1842,	Ipswich	Farmer .	1881.
20	Alonzo B. Fellows	Newburyport.	Nov. 25, 1829,	Alton, N.H.	Coal Merchant	1880.
21	Amos Coffin	"	Apr. 25, 1829,	Newburyport	Merchant	1881.
22	Edward P. Shaw	Georgetown	Sept. 1, 1841,	Methuen	Cashier of Bank	1881.
23	George H. Carleton	Salisbury	Nov. 29, 1830,	Salisbury	Merchant	1881.
24	Benjamin L. Fifield,	W. Newbury	Sept. 27, 1848,	West Newbury,	Farmer .	1881.
25	Richard Newell	Haverhill	Apr. 17, 1839,	Pelham, N.H.	Shoe Manufacturer .	1880.
26	Edwin Gage	Methuen	Mar. 8, 1830,	Sanbornton, N.H.	Farmer .	1880.
27	Daniel T. Morrison	Haverhill	Oct. 23, 1820,	Atkinson, N.H.	Merchant	1880.
28	Levi Taylor	Lawrence	Jan. 24, 1824,	Ireland	Constable	1881.
29	Daniel Donovan	"	Oct. 12, 1838,	Cork, Ireland	Mill Operative	1879.
30	Joseph J. Nichols	"	Sept. 8, 1849,	Scotland	Superintendent	1881.
31	Thomas Scott	"	June, 1828,	Peabody	Assessor .	1880.
32	Edward P. Poor	"	Aug. 25, 1829,			

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FRANKLIN COUNTY.						
No. 1	Charles A. Eddy . . .	Erving . . .	Sept. 3, 1822, . . .	Winchendon . . .	Manufacturer . . .	1881.
2	William W. Russell, . .	Sunderland . . .	Dec. 26, 1809, . . .	Sunderland . . .	Farmer . . .	1859.
3	Leonard Barton . . .	Gill . . .	Dec. 21, 1814, . . .	Barnardston . . .	Farmer . . .	1871.
4	David T. Vining . . .	Conway . . .	Oct. 19, 1821, . . .	Hawley . . .	Physician . . .	1855.
5	Jona. Budington . . .	Leyden . . .	Dec. 17, 1837, . . .	Leyden . . .	Farmer . . .	1881.
6	Vanah M. Porter . . .	Rowe . . .	Apr. 13, 1830, . . .	Whittingham, Vt. . .	Farmer . . .	1881.
HAMPDEN COUNTY.						
No. 1	Solomon F. Cushman, . .	Monson . . .	Nov. 18, 1826, . . .	Monson, Me. . .	Manufacturer . . .	1881.
2	Chauncey E. Peck . . .	Wilbraham . . .	Feb. 8, 1845, . . .	Tolland, Conn. . .	Manufacturer . . .	1881.
3	John Goodwin . . .	Chicopee . . .	Feb. 7, 1835, . . .	Berwick, Me. . .	Contractor & Builder, . .	1881.
4	Josiah Bumstead . . .	Springfield . . .	July 18, 1820, . . .	So. Wilbraham . . .	Farmer . . .	1881.
5	Hubert M. Coney . . .	" . . .	Mar. 18, 1844, . . .	Ware . . .	Lawyer . . .	1881.
6	Edwin D. Metcalf . . .	" . . .	Mar. 14, 1848, . . .	Smithfield, R. I. . .	Merchant . . .	1880.
7	Henry M. Phillips . . .	" . . .	Aug. 11, 1845, . . .	Athol . . .	President and Treas. . .	1880.
8	C. C. Merritt . . .	" . . .	Sept. 29, 1830, . . .	Gardner . . .	Apothecary . . .	1872.
9	John H. Wright . . .	Holyoke . . .	June 24, 1843, . . .	Ireland . . .	Retired Merchant . . .	1877.
10	Ashton E. Hemphill, . .	" . . .	Sept. 17, 1849, . . .	Acworth, N. H. . .	Druggist . . .	1881.
11	Edw'd C. Carpenter, . .	Westfield . . .	Oct. 29, 1830, . . .	Guilford, Vt. . .	Manufacturer . . .	1881.
	John W. Colton . . .	" . . .	June 13, 1832, . . .	W. Springfield . . .	Druggist . . .	1881.
	George T. Bryant . . .	Russell . . .	July 9, 1847, . . .	Roxbury . . .	Book-keeper . . .	1881.
HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.						
No. 1	Edwin R. Bosworth, . .	Easthampton . . .	Mar. 16, 1826, . . .	Rahoboth . . .	Builder . . .	1881.
2	Sidney Strong . . .	Northampton, . . .	Aug. 2, 1816, . . .	Westhampton . . .	Manufacturer . . .	1881.
	Albert G. Jewett . . .	Westhampton, . . .	May 24, 1825, . . .	Northampton . . .	Carpenter . . .	1881.

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3	.	.	.	Edwin S. Burr	Worthington.	Feb. 6, 1836,	Worthington	Stage Proprietor	1881.
4	.	.	.	Chas. O. Parmenter,	Amherst	Feb. 11, 1838,	Felham	Sewing-machine Agt.	1880.
5	.	.	.	Asahel H. Dorman	Belchertown.	Jan. 30, 1825,	Belchertown	Farmer and Miller	1881.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY									
No. 1	.	.	.	T. W. Higginson	Cambridge	Dec. 22, 1823,	Cambridge	Author & Journalist	1880.
2	.	.	.	Henry W. Muzzey	"	Sept. 16, 1832,	Framingham	Lawyer	1881.
3	.	.	.	Sumner Albee	"	Mar. 23, 1825,	Langdon, N.H.	Lawyer	1881.
4	.	.	.	Henry J. Wells	"	Nov. 16, 1823,	Charlestown	Lawyer	1880.
5	.	.	.	G. D. Chamberlain	"	June 4, 1823,	Westborough	Dealer in Beef	1881.
6	.	.	.	John McSorley	"	Aug. 12, 1832,	Ireland	Retired	1880.
7	.	.	.	John Haskell Butler,	Somerville	Aug. 31, 1841,	Middleton	Lawyer	1880.
8	.	.	.	Quincy A. Vinal	"	Sept. 23, 1826,	Charlestown	Real Estate Agent	1873.
9	.	.	.	Person Davis	"	June 1, 1819,	Princeton	Flour & Grain Mer.	1880.
10	.	.	.	John C. Rand	"	June 6, 1842,	Chelsea	Printer	1881.
11	.	.	.	Ezra A. Stevens	Medford	Mar. 12, 1827,	Portsmouth, N.H.	Merchant	1881.
12	.	.	.	William Johnson	Malden	Mar. 20, 1812,	Stoughton	Marble Worker	1881.
13	.	.	.	B. Marvin Fernald	Everett	Feb. 14, 1847,	Great Falls, N.H.	Lawyer	1881.
14	.	.	.	Charles L. Gill	Melrose	Aug. 21, 1828,	New York City	Shoe Business	1881.
15	.	.	.	Solon O. Richardson,	Stonham	Sept. 9, 1841,	South Reading	Manufacturer	1881.
16	.	.	.	Charles F. Brown	Wakefield	Oct. 21, 1848,	Hampden, Me.	Solicitor of Patents	1881.
17	.	.	.	Edward D. Hayden	Reading	Dec. 27, 1833,	Cambridge	Retired Merchant	1879.
18	.	.	.	Josiah F. Stone ¹	Woburn	Oct. 16, 1822,	Cornish, N.H.	Merchant	1881.
19	.	.	.	Thomas P. Ayer ¹	Winchester	Oct. 24, 1818,	Charlestown	Merchant	1881.
20	.	.	.	Samuel Walker	"	Feb. 9, 1818,	Langdon, N.H.	Merchant	1881.
21	.	.	.	George W. Morse	Watertown	Aug. 24, 1845,	Lodi, O.	Lawyer	1881.
22	.	.	.	John H. Sanborn	Newton	Nov. 5, 1832,	Parsonsfield, Me.	Merchant	1881.
23	.	.	.	Nathan Warren	"	Feb. 11, 1838,	Waltham	Insurance	1880.
24	.	.	.	Charles A. Corey	Bedford	May 23, 1842,	Groton	Grocer	1881.
25	.	.	.	Enoch Foster	Tewksbury	Apr. 22, 1831,	Tewksbury	Furniture Dealer	1881.

¹ Mr. Stone died Jan. 27, 1881. Mr. Ayer was elected his successor.

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MIDDLESEX Co — Con.						
No. 20 . . .	John O'Donnell . . .	Lowell . . .	June 22, 1853, . . .	Lowell . . .	. . .	1880.
21 . . .	Leonard Brown . . .	" . . .	Feb. 24, 1821, . . .	Lexington . . .	Printer . . .	1881.
22 . . .	Edward Cawley . . .	" . . .	Apr. 29, 1858, . . .	Rutland, Vt. . .	Railroad Conductor . . .	1881.
23 . . .	Charles H. Allen . . .	" . . .	Apr. 15, 1848, . . .	Lowell . . .	Manufacturer . . .	1881.
24 . . .	Robert Goulding . . .	" . . .	Feb. 25, 1825, . . .	England . . .	Slate & Tin Roofer . . .	1880.
25 . . .	J. Tyler Stevens . . .	" . . .	Dec. 20, 1844, . . .	Ware . . .	Real Estate . . .	1881.
26 . . .	Samuel Hoar . . .	Concord . . .	Sept. 27, 1845, . . .	Concord . . .	Lawyer . . .	1881.
27 . . .	Hiram Curtis . . .	Maynard . . .	Jan. 29, 1837, . . .	Bowdoinham, Me. . .	Merchant . . .	1881.
28 . . .	Edward McManus . . .	Natick . . .	Mar. 1, 1837, . . .	Ireland . . .	Shoemaker . . .	1881.
29 . . .	George B. Fiske . . .	Holliston . . .	Mar. 20, 1834, . . .	Holliston . . .	Insurance Agent . . .	1880.
30 . . .	Owen Wood . . .	Hopkinton . . .	Feb. 20, 1831, . . .	Franklin . . .	Root-cutter . . .	1881.
31 . . .	Luther F. Fuller . . .	Framingham . . .	Jan. 30, 1827, . . .	Acton . . .	Trader . . .	1881.
32 . . .	Timothy A. Coolidge, . . .	Marlborough . . .	June 25, 1827, . . .	Natick . . .	Shoe Manufacturer . . .	1881.
33 . . .	Edmund M. Stowe . . .	Hudson . . .	Sept. 23, 1828, . . .	Marlborough . . .	Boot & Shoe Dealer . . .	1881.
34 . . .	Asa S. Lawrence . . .	Groton . . .	May 10, 1820, . . .	Groton . . .	Farmer . . .	1877.
35 . . .	John E. Dickerman . . .	Townsend . . .	Dec. 23, 1837, . . .	Braintree . . .	Manufacturer . . .	1881.
NANTUCKET COUNTY.						
No. 1 . . .	Henry Paddack . . .	Nantucket . . .	Apr. 7, 1838, . . .	Nantucket . . .	Painter, etc. . .	1878.
NORFOLK COUNTY.						
No. 1 . . .	Thomas J. Baker . . .	Dedham . . .	Sept. 25, 1822, . . .	Medfield . . .	Grocer . . .	1881.
2 . . .	Edward I. Thomas . . .	Brookline . . .	. . .	Cincinnati, O. . .	Merchant . . .	1877.
3 . . .	Hubert M. Cable . . .	Hyde Park . . .	Mar. 3, 1842, . . .	Watson, N. Y. . .	Agent . . .	1880.
4 . . .	Edward R. Eager . . .	Canton . . .	Nov. 9, 1830, . . .	Cambridge . . .	Treasurer Iron Co. . .	1878.

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5	.	.	.	N. D. Canterbury	Weymouth	Sept. 15, 1837,	Weymouth	Boot & Shoe Manuf.	1880.
	.	.	.	James Edwards	Quincy	Mar. 9, 1829,	Quincy	Leather Dealer	1881.
	.	.	.	Charles H. Porter	"	Apr. 3, 1843,	Weymouth	Insurance	1881.
6	.	.	.	Joel F. Sheppard	Braintree	Nov. 20, 1835,	Greenwich, N.J.	Coal Merchant	1881.
	.	.	.	Jonathan Wales	Randolph	Oct. 4, 1849,	Randolph	Lawyer	1880.
7	.	.	.	Newell S. Atwood	Stoughton	Aug. 17, 1834,	Cornish, N.H.	Trader	1880.
	.	.	.	Jos. W. Thompson	Medway	Dec. 25, 1826,	Medway	Boot & Shoe Manuf.	1881.
8	.	.	.	Henry R. Jenks	Franklin	Dec. 25, 1831,	Smithfield, R.I.	Merchant	1881.
9	.	.	.	James Mackintosh	Needham	Apr. 9, 1838,	Needham	Farmer	1876.
PLYMOUTH COUNTY.									
No. 1	.	.	.	Joseph Jacobs, jun.	Hingham	Dec. 8, 1828,	Hingham	Edge-tool Manuf.	1881.
2	.	.	.	Thomas F. Bailey	Scituate	Nov. 22, 1838,	Dorchester	Carpenter & Builder,	1881.
3	.	.	.	Francis Collamore	Pembroke	Dec. 7, 1880,	Pembroke	Physician	1881.
4	.	.	.	Peleg McFarlin	Carver	Oct. 18, 1843,	Carver	Iron Merchant	1881.
5	.	.	.	Winslow W. Avery	Plymouth	Apr. 22, 1836,	Montpelier, Vt.	Editor	1881.
6	.	.	.	Stephen D. Hadley	Marion	Sept. 25, 1814,	Marion	Retired Ship-master,	1881.
7	.	.	.	John C. Sullivan	Middleboro'	July 18, 1841,		Lawyer	1881.
8	.	.	.	Arthur Hooper	Bridgewater	May 18, 1843,	Bridgewater	House Painter	1881.
9	.	.	.	Charles W. Howland,	Rockland	Dec. 5, 1838,	Hanson	Civil Engineer	1881.
	.	.	.	Davis S. Packard	Brockton	June 24, 1826,	Brockton	Manufacturer	1881.
10	.	.	.	Albert Keith	"	Dec. 31, 1823,	N. Bridgewater,	Merchant	1880.
11	.	.	.	Job P. Farrar	Abington	Nov. 25, 1831,	Buckfield, Me.	Boot & Shoe Manuf.	1881.
SUFFOLK COUNTY.									
No. 1	.	.	.	Edwin R. Webster	Boston	Feb. 20, 1831,	Cabot, Vt.	Stable-keeper	1878.
	.	.	.	Harvey N. Shepard	"	July 8, 1848,	Boston	Lawyer	1881.
	.	.	.	William J. Burke	"	Nov. 18, 1837,	St. John, N.B.	Steam-boiler Maker	1879.
2	.	.	.	Joseph P. Hamlin	"	1832,	Sidney, Me.	Real Estate	1881.

APPENDIX.

Districts.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st Year in Leg.
SUFFOLK Co — Con.						
No. 3 . . .	Henry Lyon . . .	Boston . . .	Dec. 16, 1814,	Needham . . .	Retired . . .	1881.
4 . . .	James White . . .	" . . .	Jan. 20, 1831,	Ireland . . .	Tailor . . .	1881.
5 . . .	Augustus W. Stover,	" . . .	Dec. 17, 1834,	Charlestown . . .	Grocer . . .	1880.
6 . . .	Dennis G. Quirk . . .	" . . .	Aug. 7, 1836,	St. John, N.B. . .	Calker & Graver . . .	1877.
7 . . .	John Reade . . .	" . . .	1828,	Ireland . . .	Undertaker . . .	1881.
8 . . .	Patrick F. Mahoney,	" . . .	Feb. 5, 1847,	Boston . . .	Glass-cutter . . .	1880.
9 . . .	Thomas McCullough,	" . . .	June, 1840,	Ireland . . .	Painter . . .	1881.
10 . . .	Peter Cannon . . .	" . . .	June 25, 1826,	" . . .	Trader . . .	1880.
11 . . .	Alex. B. McGahey . . .	" . . .	Mar. 30, 1855,	Boston . . .	Liquor Dealer . . .	1881.
12 . . .	Frank Gargan . . .	" . . .	Dec., 1846,	" . . .	Lawyer . . .	1878.
13 . . .	Owen A. Galvin . . .	" . . .	June 21, 1852,	" . . .	Lawyer . . .	1881.
14 . . .	James M. Bugbee . . .	" . . .	Dec. 17, 1837,	Perry, Me. . .	Writer . . .	1880.
15 . . .	John F. Andrew . . .	" . . .	Nov. 26, 1850,	Hingham . . .	Lawyer . . .	1880.
16 . . .	Henry H. Sprague . . .	" . . .	Aug. 1, 1841,	Athol . . .	Lawyer . . .	1881.
17 . . .	Increase E. Noyes . . .	" . . .	Mar. 26, 1834,	Jay, Me. . .	Merchant . . .	1880.
18 . . .	Hamilton A. Hill . . .	" . . .	Apr. 14, 1827,	London, Eng. . .	Retired Merchant . . .	1878.
19 . . .	John G. Webster . . .	" . . .	Apr. 8, 1811,	Portsmouth, N.H. . .	Dealer in Leather . . .	1857.
20 . . .	Patrick F. McDonald,	" . . .	July 10, 1852,	Boston . . .	Iron Merchant . . .	1881.
21 . . .	Jere. H. Mullane . . .	" . . .	August, 1832,	" . . .	Wholesale Liquors . . .	1880.
22 . . .	James A. McGeough,	" . . .	June 15, 1851,	Ireland . . .	Lawyer . . .	1879.
23 . . .	Cornelius F. Cronin,	" . . .	July 25, 1851,	Cork, Ireland . . .	Lawyer . . .	1881.
24 . . .	Charles J. Noyes . . .	" . . .	Aug. 7, 1841,	Haverhill . . .	Lawyer . . .	1866.
25 . . .	Arthur H. Wilson . . .	" . . .	Aug. 18, 1839,	Paxton . . .	Physician . . .	1881.
26 . . .	Frank A. Clapp . . .	" . . .	Nov. 5, 1839,	South Scituate . . .	Rubber Manufactu'r, . . .	1880.
27 . . .	George W. Bail . . .	" . . .	Dec. 20, 1832,	Boston . . .	Wood & Coal Dealer, . . .	1880.

16	{ Joseph H. O'Neil .	"	Mar. 23, 1853,	Fall River	Carpenter	1878.
	{ Abraham J. Lamb .	"	July 27, 1844,	Boston	Provision Dealer	1881.
17	{ John Q. A. Brackett,	"	June 8, 1842,	Bradford, N.H.	Lawyer	1877.
	{ Zenas E. Smith .	"	June 30, 1822,	Buckland	Carpenter	1880.
18	{ Edward P. Brown .	"	Feb. 8, 1840,	Rehoboth	Lawyer	1881.
	{ George E. Larnard,	"	May 15, 1880,	Boston	Mercantile	1881.
19	{ John Joyce .	"	May 8, 1887,	London, Eng.	Currier	1879.
	{ Thomas Fay, jun.	"	Apr. 9, 1858,	Roxbury	Liquor Business	1881.
20	{ John F. Dever .	"	May 22, 1853,	Boston	Clerk	1880.
	{ Timothy A. Murphy,	"	1842,	"	Merchant	1881.
21	{ Arthur W. Tufts .	"	Feb. 20, 1828,	Charlestown	Contractor	1879.
	{ Benj. C. Tinkham .	"	Oct. 7, 1827,	Middleborough	Painter	1881.
22	{ Francis B. Kelly .	"	Jan. 12, 1844,	Ireland	Painter	1881.
23	{ Edward P. Butler .	"	Mar. 8, 1838,	Boston	Coal Business	1881.
	{ Levi L. Willcutt .	"	Mar. 8, 1826,	"	Manufacturer	1881.
24	{ Martin L. Bradford .	"	Feb. 12, 1821,	"	Merchant	1880.
	{ George L. Burt .	"	Nov. 8, 1829,	Walpole, N.H.	Carpenter & Builder,	1880.
25	{ George B. Livermore,	"	May 11, 1836,	Brighton	"	1890.
	{ Thomas B. Jones .	Chelsea	Dec. 24, 1839,	Quincy	Furniture Dealer	1880.
26	{ Joseph W. Stickney,	"	Nov. 5, 1833,	Hallowell, Me.	Manufacturer	1881.
	{ Thomas Floyd .	Winthrop	Nov. 3, 1838,	Chelsea	Farmer	1871.
WORCESTER COUNTY.						
No. 1	{ Leonard T. Gaskill .	Blackstone	Jan. 3, 1843,	Mendon	Butcher	1881.
2	{ Silas W. Hale .	Milford	Sept. 13, 1842,	Stowe	Princ'l of High Sch'l,	1881.
3	{ Charles W. Wilcox .	"	June 26, 1836,	Brookfield, Vt.	Jeweller	1881.
4	{ George F. Searles .	Northbridge	Sept. 27, 1832,	Sutton	Merchant	1881.
5	{ William T. Forbes .	Westborough	May 24, 1850,	Westborough	Attorney-at-law	1881.
	{ Edward G. Stevens .	Clinton	June 27, 1847,	Lancaster	Insurance Agent	1881.
	{ William H. Burpee .	Sterling	Mar. 7, 1844,	Sterling	Farmer	1881.

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WORCESTER Co. — Con.						
6	George F. Fay	Fitchburg	1828,	Warwick	Paper Manufacturer,	1881.
	Joseph A. Tufts	"	Jan. 25, 1835,	Fitchburg	Retired	1890.
7	Giles H. Whitney	Winchendon	Jan. 18, 1818,	Boston	Lawyer	1851. ¹
	J. Hervey Miller	Westminster	Feb. 11, 1832,	Westminste	Farmer & Mechanic.	1881.
8	Ira Y. Kendall	Athol	Dec. 25, 1831,	Athol	Boot & Shoe Manuf.	1881.
9	Otis D. Sawin	Templeton	Apr. 18, 1834,	Gardner	Book-keeper	1881.
10	Thomas P. Root	Barre	July 8, 1824,	Greenwich	Farmer	1880.
11	William F. Holman,	Leicester	June 11, 1827,	Millbury	Retired	1881.
	George A. Parratt	W. Brookfield,	Aug. 29, 1821,	Sturbridge	Boot Manufacturer	1881.
12	George M. Newton, ²	Warren.	Apr. 25, 1840,	Worcester	Merchant	1881.
	Lucien M. Gilbert ² .	"	"	"	"	1881.
13	Samuel C. Hartwell,	Southbridge	Mar. 28, 1820,	Southbridge	Physician	1881.
	Isaac L. Prouty	Spencer	Jan. 30, 1831,	Spencer	Boot Manufacturer	1881.
14	John J. Love	Webster	Aug. 15, 1850,	Ireland	Marble & Granite	1881.
15	Levi L. Whitney	Millbury	Jan. 20, 1838,	Princeton	Manufacturer	1881.
16	Henry O. Sawyer	W. Boylston	June 10, 1844,	Berlin	Merchant	1881.
17	Dwight B. Look	Leominster	Apr. 19, 1820,	Conway	Manufacturer	1880.
18	Aaron G. Walker	Worcester	Jan. 12, 1815,	Hopkinton	Boot Manufacturer	1880.
19	M. V. B. Jefferson	"	May 19, 1833,	Uxbridge	Woolen Manufact'r.	1880.
20	Eugene M. Moriarty,	"	Apr. 15, 1849,	Ireland	Newspaper Corresp't,	1880.
21	Francis Plunkett	"	Nov. 7, 1845,	"	Attorney-at-law	1880.
22	James H. Mellen	"	June 1, 1823,	Worcester	Moulder	1877.
23	Asaph R. Marshall	"	Jan. 8, 1825,	Hillsbor'gh, N.H.	Com. Merchant	1881.
24	Edwin Ames	"	Dec. 29, 1819,	Hardwick.	Contractor & Builder,	1881.
25	William L. Clark	"	"	Worcester	Retired Merchant	1881.

¹ In Senate.² Mr. Newton died Jan. 23, 1881. Mr. Gilbert was elected in his place.

OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Occupation.	1st Year in Office.
George A. Marden, <i>Clerk</i>	Lowell	Aug 9, 1839	Editor	1874.
Daniel W. Waldron, <i>Chaplain</i>	Boston		Clergyman	1879.
Oreb F. Mitchell, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i>	Bridgewater	1838		1875.

APPENDIX.

[No. 2.]

RULES AND ORDERS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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THE SPEAKER.

1. The Speaker shall take the chair at the hour to which the House stands adjourned, call the members to order, and, on the appearance of a quorum, proceed to business.
2. He shall preserve decorum and order; may speak to points of order in preference to other members; and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House.
[With regard to appeals, see Rules 81 and 92.]

3. He shall declare all votes, subject to verification as hereinafter provided.

[See Rules 63 to 67.]

4. In all cases he may vote.

5. He shall rise to put a question, or to address the House, but may read sitting.

6. He shall each day examine the journal of the House.

7. He may name a member to perform the duties of the chair for a period not exceeding two days at one time.

8. In case of a vacancy in the office of Speaker, or in case the Speaker or the member named by him in accordance with the preceding rule is absent at the hour to which the House stands adjourned, the senior monitor present shall call the House to order, and shall preside until a Speaker *pro tempore* or a Speaker is elected by ballot, which shall be the first business in order.

MONITORS.

9. Two monitors shall be appointed by the Speaker for each division of the House, whose duty it shall be to see to the due observance of the Rules and Orders, and, on request of the Speaker, to return the number of votes and members in their respective divisions.

10. If a member transgress any of the Rules and Orders after being notified thereof by a monitor, it shall be the duty of such monitor to report the case to the House.

[For duty of monitor in case of the absence of the Speaker, see Rule 8.]
[See Rule 20.]

CLERK.

11. The Clerk shall keep the journal of the House. He shall enter therein a record of each day's proceedings, and submit it to the Speaker before the hour fixed for the next sitting.

12. Every question of order shall be noted in the journal, and, with the decision, shall be entered at large in an appendix, which shall also contain the Rules and Orders of the House, and of the two branches.

13. The Clerk shall prepare and cause to be printed each day a calendar of matters in order for consideration, followed by a brief minute of the preliminary proceedings of the previous day; a list of matters lying on the table; and such other memoranda as the House or the Speaker may direct.

14. Any objection to the calendar shall be made and disposed of before the House votes to proceed to the consideration of the Orders of the Day.

15. The Clerk shall retain bills and other papers, in reference to which any member has a right to move a reconsideration (except petitions, enacted bills, orders of inquiry, and orders of notice), until the right of reconsideration has expired: *provided*, that the operation of this rule shall be suspended during the last week of the session.

MEMBERS.

16. No member shall stand up, to the inconvenience of others, while a member is speaking; or pass unnecessarily between the Speaker of the House and the member speaking; or stand in the passages, or in the area in front of the chair.

17. No member shall be absent more than two days without leave of the House.

18. No member shall absent himself from the House without leave, unless there be a quorum without his presence.

19. Papers in possession of a member obtaining leave of absence, or at the end of the session, shall be left by him with the Clerk.

20. If a member is guilty of a breach of any of the Rules and Orders, he may be required by the House, on motion, to make satisfaction therefor; and, until he has done so, he shall not be allowed to vote or speak, except by way of excuse.

[See Rule 10.]

COMMITTEES.

21. At the beginning of the political year, standing committees shall be appointed as follows:—

- a committee on the Judiciary;
- a committee on Probate and Chancery;
- a committee on Finance;

(to consist of nine members each).

- a committee on Elections;
- a committee on County Estimates;
- a committee on Rules and Orders;

(to consist of seven members each).

- a committee on Bills in the Third Reading;
- a committee on Engrossed Bills;

a committee on Pay-Roll ;
a committee on Leave of Absence ;
(to consist of three members each).

[Amended Jan. 7, 1881.]

22. Unless other provision is made in any case, all committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, and the member first named shall be chairman.

23. In case of the election of a committee by ballot, the member having the highest number of votes shall be chairman.

24. No member shall be required to be on more than two committees at the same time, nor chairman of more than one.

25. No member shall serve on any committee in any question where his private right is immediately concerned, distinct from the public interest.

26. The committee on Finance shall report, in appropriation bills, only such items of expenditure as are authorized by law, or such as the committee has been directed by the House to insert.

27. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading shall examine and correct the bills which are referred to it, for the purpose of avoiding repetitions and unconstitutional provisions, insuring accuracy in the text and references, and consistency with the language of existing statutes: *provided*, that any change in the sense or legal effect, or any material change in construction, shall be reported to the House as an amendment.

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

28. The committee on Engrossed Bills shall carefully examine and compare engrossed bills, and report them rightly and truly engrossed, when found to be so, without delay.

29. When the object of an application, whether by petition, order, or bill introduced on leave, can be secured without a special act under existing laws, or without detriment to the public interests, by a general law, the committee to which the matter is referred shall report such general law, or leave to withdraw, inexpedient to legislate, or ought not to pass, as the case may be.

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

30. No bill or resolve affecting the rights of individuals, or of private or municipal corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth, shall be reported by a committee, unless it is made to appear to the

satisfaction of the committee that notice has been given, by public advertisement or otherwise, to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth; or unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that the parties interested have in writing waived notice.

[Adopted Jan. 26, 1881.]

31. On or before the first Wednesday in March, committees shall make final report upon matters referred to them prior to that day, unless further time is granted, for cause.

Committee of the Whole.

32. When the House determines to go into a committee of the whole, the chairman shall be appointed by the Speaker.

33. The Rules of the House shall be observed in a committee of the whole, so far as they may be applicable, except the rules limiting debate. A motion to rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again, shall be always first in order, and be decided without debate.

REGULAR COURSE OF PROCEEDINGS.

Petitions, etc., and Reports of Committees.

34. Petitions, memorials, remonstrances, and papers of a like nature, and reports of committees, shall be presented before the House proceeds to the consideration of the Orders of the Day, and the Speaker shall call on the several divisions for such papers.

35. The member presenting a petition, memorial, or remonstrance, shall indorse his name thereon, with a brief statement of the nature and object of the paper; and the reading thereof shall be dispensed with, unless specially ordered.

Papers from the Senate.

36. Papers from the Senate shall be laid before the House by the Speaker, and received for action conformably to such of these Rules and Orders as are applicable thereto, before the House proceeds to the consideration of the Orders of the Day.

Papers addressed to the House, not Petitions.

37. Papers addressed to the House, or the General Court, other than petitions, memorials, and remonstrances, or those

received from the Senate, may be presented by the Speaker, or by a member in his place, and shall be read, unless it is specially ordered that the reading be dispensed with.

Orders of Inquiry.

38. All motions contemplating legislation, when not founded upon petition, or upon bill proposed to be introduced on leave, shall be made in the form of an order of inquiry, which shall indicate the nature of the legislation proposed; and if reference is made to any particular law, for amendment or otherwise, the order shall specify the chapter and section, as well as the subject to which it relates.

Postponement to the Next Day on Request of a Member.

39. The consideration of any order proposed for adoption, or of any request for leave to introduce a bill, shall be postponed without question to the day after that on which the order is proposed or request made, if any member asks such postponement.

Bills and Resolves. [See Rule 93.]

40. Bills shall be fairly written in a legible hand, without material erasure or interlineation, on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins and spaces between the several sections; dates and numbers being written in words at length. Bills amending existing laws shall not provide for striking words from, or inserting words in, such laws, unless such course is best calculated to show clearly the subject and nature of the amendment. No repealed law, and no part of any repealed law, shall be re-enacted by reference merely.

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

41. If opposition is made to a bill before it is ordered to a second reading, the question shall be, "*Shall this bill be rejected?*" If no opposition is made, or if the question to reject is negatived, the bill shall go to its second reading without a question.

42. Bills involving an expenditure of public money, shall, after their first reading, be referred to the committee on Finance, for report on their relation to the finances of the Commonwealth.

43. Bills from the Senate, after their first reading, shall be

referred to a committee of the House, unless they were reported to the Senate by a joint committee.

44. Amendments proposed by the Senate, and sent back to the House for concurrence, shall be referred to the committee which reported the measure proposed to be amended, unless such committee is composed of members of both branches. In which case such amendments shall be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next day.

[Amended April 9, 1878.]

45. No bill shall be proposed or introduced unless received from the Senate, reported by a committee, or moved as an amendment to the report of a committee: *provided*, that the House may grant special leave to a member to introduce a bill; but when leave is asked for the introduction of a bill, it shall be read for information before the question is put on granting leave; and, if leave is granted, it shall be committed, before it is ordered to a second reading.

46. No bill affecting directly the legal rights of individuals or corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the interests of the whole people of the Commonwealth or of the cities or towns to which it specifically applies, shall be proposed or introduced, by amendment or otherwise, except by report of a committee, upon petition duly presented and referred. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to the third reading of the bill.

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

47. When a bill, order, petition, memorial, or remonstrance has been finally rejected, no measure substantially the same shall be introduced by any committee or member during the same session.

[Amended April 26, 1877.]

48. Bills in their third reading shall be referred to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading for examination, correction, and report.

[See Rule 27.]

49. No bill shall pass to be engrossed without having been read on three several days.

50. Engrossed bills shall be referred to the committee on Engrossed Bills for examination, comparison, and report.

[See Rule 28.]

51. No engrossed bill shall be amended.

52. Engrossed bills, reported by the committee on Engrossed Bills to be rightly and truly engrossed, shall be put upon their passage to be enacted; and engrossed resolves, when so reported, shall be put upon their passage without further reading, unless specially ordered.

53. No engrossed bill shall be sent to the Senate without notice thereof being given by the Speaker.

Orders of the Day.

54. Bills from the Senate, after their first reading, when not referred to a committee of the House, and bills reported to the House by committees, to which no objection is made, or when the question of rejection is negatived, shall be placed in the orders for second reading on the next day.

55. Reports of committees not by bill or resolve shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which they are received from the Senate, or made to the House, as the case may be: *provided*, that the report of a committee asking to be discharged from the further consideration of a subject, and recommending that it be referred to another committee, shall be immediately considered.

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

56. Bills ordered to a third reading shall be placed in the orders of the next day for such reading.

57. After entering upon the consideration of the Orders of the Day, the House shall proceed with them in regular course, as follows: Matters not giving rise to a motion or debate shall first be disposed of in the order in which they stand in the calendar; after which the matters that were passed over shall be considered in like order and disposed of.

58. When the House does not finish the consideration of the Orders of the Day, those which had not been acted upon shall be the orders for the next and each succeeding day until disposed of, and shall be entered in the calendar, without change in their order, to precede matters added under Rules 54, 55, and 56. The unfinished business in which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment shall have the preference in the orders of the next day, after motions to reconsider.

Special Rules affecting the Course of Proceedings.

[For postponement of order, etc., to the next day, on request of a member, see Rule 39.]

59. No matter which has been duly placed in the Orders of the Day shall be discharged therefrom, or considered out of the regular course.

60. If, under the operation of the previous question, or otherwise, an amendment is made at the second or third reading of a bill, substantially changing the greater part of such bill, the question shall not be put forthwith on ordering the bill to a third reading or to be engrossed (as the case may be), but the bill, as amended, shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which the amendment is made, and shall then be open to further amendment before such question is put. In like manner, when, under the operation of the previous question or otherwise, an amendment is made in any proposition of such a nature as to change its character, as from a bill to an order, or the like, the proposition as amended shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which the amendment was made.

VOTING.

61. No member shall vote in any question where his private right is immediately concerned, distinct from the public interest.

62. Every member not prevented by interest, who is present in the House when the question is put, shall give his vote, unless the House, for special reasons, excuse him. Members desiring to be so excused shall make application to that effect before the division of the House or the taking of the yeas and nays is begun. Such application may be accompanied by a brief statement of reasons by the member making it, but shall be decided without debate.

[Amended Jan. 8, 1877.]

63. When a question is put, the sense of the House shall be taken by the voices of the members, and the Speaker shall first announce the vote as it appears to him by the sound.

64. If the Speaker is unable to decide by the sound of the voices, or if his announcement made thereupon is doubted by a member rising in his place for that purpose, the Speaker shall order a return by divisions of the number voting in the affirma-

tive and in the negative, without further debate upon the question.

[For duty of monitors in case of a division, see Rule 9.]

65. When a return by divisions is ordered, the members for or against the question, when called on by the Speaker, shall rise in their places, and stand until they are counted.

66. The sense of the House shall be taken by yeas and nays whenever required by thirty of the members present. When the yeas and nays are taken, the roll of the House shall be called in alphabetical order, and no member shall be allowed to vote who was not on the floor before the vote is declared. If, before such time, a member states to the House that he has paired with another member, and how each would vote upon the pending question, the fact shall be entered on the journal immediately after the record of the yeas and nays, and such member shall be excused from voting.

[Amended Jan. 4, 1878; also April 2, 1878; also April 1, 1879.]

67. The call for the yeas and nays shall be decided without debate. If the yeas and nays have been ordered before the question is put, the proceedings under Rules 63, 64, and 65 shall be omitted; if not, they may be called for in lieu of a return by divisions when the Speaker's announcement is doubted by a member rising in his place, and, if then ordered, the proceedings under Rules 64 and 65 shall be omitted.

Reconsideration.

68. When a vote has passed (except as provided in the next rule), it shall be in order for any member to move the reconsideration thereof on the same or the succeeding day, and such motion, if made on the same day, shall (except in the last week of the session) be placed first in the orders of the next day after that on which it is made; but, if first moved on such succeeding day, it shall be forthwith considered: *provided, however*, that a motion to reconsider a vote upon any incidental or subsidiary question shall not remove the main subject under consideration from before the House, but shall be considered at the time when it is made.

69. When a motion for reconsideration is decided, that decision shall not be reconsidered, and no question shall be twice reconsidered; nor shall any vote be reconsidered upon either of the following motions: —

to adjourn ;
to lay on the table ;
to take from the table ; or
for the previous question.

70. Debate on motions to reconsider shall be limited to thirty minutes, and no member shall occupy more than five minutes.

[For rule requiring the Clerk to retain papers, except, etc., until the right of reconsideration has expired, see Rule 15.]

RULES OF DEBATE.

71. Every member, when about to speak, shall rise, and respectfully address the Speaker ; shall confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid personality ; and shall sit down when he has finished. No member shall speak out of his place without leave of the Speaker.

72. When two or more members rise at the same time, the Speaker shall name the member entitled to the floor, preferring one who rises in his place to one who does not.

73. No member shall interrupt another while speaking, except by rising to call to order.

74. No member shall speak more than once to the prevention of those who have not spoken and desire to speak on the same question, nor more than twice on the same question without leave of the House.

Motions.

75. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if the Speaker so directs.

76. A motion need not be seconded, and may be withdrawn by the mover if no objection is made.

77. A motion to adjourn shall be always first in order, and shall be decided without debate ; and on the motions to lay on the table, to take from the table, to commit or recommit, not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate ; and no member shall speak more than three minutes.

[Amended Feb. 19, 1878 ; and Jan. 26, 1880.]

[For application to be excused from voting, to be decided without debate, see Rule 62.]

[For call for yeas and nays, to be decided without debate, see Rule 67.]

[For questions of order, arising after the previous question is moved, to be decided without debate, except on appeal, see Rule 81.]

78. When a question is before the House, until it is disposed of, the Speaker shall receive no motion that does not relate to the same, except the motion to adjourn, or some other motion that has precedence either by express rule of the House, or because it is privileged in its nature; and he shall receive no motion relating to the same, except, —

to lay on the table,	See Rule 77.
for the previous question,	See Rules 79-84.
to close the debate at a specified time,	See Rules 83, 84.
to postpone to a time certain,	See Rule 85.
to commit (or recommit),	See Rules 77 and 86.
to amend,	See Rules 87-90.
to refer to the next General Court,	
or to postpone indefinitely,	See Rule 91.

which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged in this rule.

Previous Question.

79. The previous question shall be put in the following form: "*Shall the main question be now put?*" — and all debate upon the main question shall be suspended until the previous question is decided.

80. On the previous question, not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate, and that only to give reasons why the main question should not be put; and no member shall speak more than three minutes.

81. All questions of order arising after a motion is made for the previous question shall be decided without debate, excepting on appeal; and on such appeal no member shall speak more than once without leave of the House.

[See Rule 92.]

82. The adoption of the previous question shall put an end to all debate, except as provided in Rule 84, and bring the House to a direct vote upon pending amendments, if any, in their regular order, and then upon the main question.

Motion to Close Debate at a Specified Time.

83. Debate may be closed at any time, not less than thirty minutes from the adoption of a motion to that effect. On this motion, not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate, and no member shall speak more than three minutes. In case

the time is extended by unanimous consent, the same rule shall apply at the end of the extended time as at the time originally fixed.

[Amended Jan. 8, 1877; and Jan. 15, 1880.]

[See the next Rule.]

When Debate is closed, Ten Minutes allowed, etc.

84. When debate is closed by ordering the previous question, or by a vote to close debate at a specified time, the member in charge of the measure under consideration shall be allowed to speak ten minutes, and may grant to any other member any portion of his time. When the measure under consideration has been referred to the committee on Finance, under House Rule 42, the member originally reporting it shall be considered in charge, except where the report of the committee on Finance is substantially different from that referred to them; in which case the member originally reporting the measure, and the member of the Finance committee reporting thereon, shall each be allowed to speak five minutes, the latter to have the close.

[Amended March 28, 1877.]

Motion to Postpone to a Time Certain.

85. When a motion is made to postpone to a time certain, and different times are proposed, the question shall first be taken on the most remote time; and the time shall be determined before the question is put on postponement, which may then be rejected if the House see fit.

Motion to Commit.

86. When a motion is made to commit, and different committees are proposed, the question shall be taken in the following order:—

- a standing committee of the House,
- a select committee of the House,
- a joint standing committee,
- a joint select committee;

and a subject may be recommitted to the same committee or to another committee at the pleasure of the House.

Motions to Amend.

87. A motion to amend an amendment may be received; but no amendment in the third degree shall be allowed.

APPENDIX.

88. No motion or proposition of a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment.

89. A question containing two or more propositions capable of division shall be divided whenever desired by any member. When a motion to strike out and insert is thus divided, the failure of the motion to strike out shall not preclude amendment; or, if the motion to strike out prevails, the matter proposed to be inserted shall be open to amendment before the question is taken on inserting it.

90. In filling blanks, the largest sum and longest time shall be put first.

Equivalent for Motion to Postpone Indefinitely.

91. A motion to strike out the enacting clause of a bill shall be equivalent to a motion to postpone indefinitely.

APPEAL.

92. No appeal from the decision of the Speaker shall be entertained unless it is seconded; and no other business shall be in order until the question on the appeal has been disposed of.

[See Rule 81.]

RESOLVES.

93. Such of these Rules and Orders as are applicable to bills, whether of the House or of the Senate, shall apply likewise to such resolves as require the concurrence of the Senate and approval by the Governor, in order to become laws and have force as such; except, in Rule 52, the word "bill" shall be equivalent to the word "resolve" in the same place.

ELECTIONS BY BALLOT.

94. A time shall be assigned for elections by ballot at least one day previous thereto.

SECRET SESSION.

95. All proceedings in secret session, and matters relating thereto, shall be kept secret until the House removes the injunction of secrecy.

SEATS.

96. (1.) The desk on the right of the Speaker shall be assigned to the use of the clerk and such persons as he may employ to assist him, and that on the left to the use of the chairmen of the committees on Bills in the Third Reading and on Engrossed Bills.

(2.) The senior member of the House, and the oldest member of the House who is not the senior member, shall be allowed to select their seats, from those not otherwise assigned, before the drawing of seats by the members.

[Amended Jan. 7, 1878.]

(3.) The seat numbered 11, in the first division, shall be assigned to the use of the chairman of the committee on the Judiciary, and that numbered 4, in the sixth division, to the use of the chairman of the committee on Finance.

[Amended Jan. 7, 1878.]

(4.) The following seats shall be assigned to the use of the monitors : —

Those numbered 30 and 34, in the first division ;
100 and 104, in the second division ;
96 and 99, in the third division ;
92 and 95, in the fourth division ;
87 and 91, in the fifth division ; and
15 and 19, in the sixth division.

(5.) The first business in order, after the appointment of standing committees and monitors is announced by the Speaker, shall be the drawing of the other seats upon the floor of the House.

(6.) The clerk shall call the roll of the members in alphabetical order, omitting the names of the Speaker, the senior member, the oldest member, the chairmen of committees hereinbefore mentioned, and the monitors ; and the drawing shall be had in presence of the House, under the supervision of a committee of three selected from the members mentioned in this paragraph.

(7.) The seat assigned to any member, or drawn by him, shall be his seat for the year, unless an exchange is made and notice thereof given to the sergeant-at-arms within five days from the day of drawing.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR.

97. (1.) Every member shall have the privilege of introducing upon the floor of the House, to occupy (for that day) any seat then vacant not belonging to a member, or belonging to a member who is absent, not more than one person at the same time, such person not having any private interest in any measure before the Legislature distinct from the public interest: *provided*, that in any case, when by the exercise of this privilege on the part of some of the members the vacant seats have been filled, and the Speaker so announces, the further exercise of the privilege shall be suspended for that day, or until one or more of the seats thus filled are vacated.

(2.) The Speaker may also invite visitors, not inhabitants of this Commonwealth, without limit of number, to seats (not numbered) upon the floor of the House.

(3.) Contestants for seats in the House, whose papers are in the hands of the committee on Elections, may be admitted, while their cases are pending, to seats to be assigned by the Speaker.

(4.) Senators, and the principal officers¹ in the executive and judicial departments of the Civil Government of the Commonwealth, the Chaplains of both Houses, and the Clerk of the Senate, shall be admitted to the floor whenever they may have occasion to visit the House, and may occupy any of the seats not numbered which they may find vacant, or any seats which may be assigned by the Speaker for their use for the time being.

REPRESENTATIVES' CHAMBER.

98. Use of the Representatives' Chamber shall not be granted, except by a vote of four-fifths of the members present.

PARLIAMENTARY PRACTICE.

99. The rules of parliamentary practice shall govern the House in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with these Rules and Orders or the Joint Rules and Orders of the two branches.

SUSPENSION, AMENDMENT, AND REPEAL.

100. Nothing in these Rules and Orders shall be dispensed

¹ See list in the Blue Book.

with, altered, or repealed, unless two-thirds of the members present consent thereto; but this rule, and Rules 39, 48, and 98, shall not be suspended, unless by unanimous consent of the members present.

Blanks for orders, bills, reports, petitions, and indorsement of petitions, may be had on application to the Clerk, or at the document-room; and members are respectfully requested to use the same in the preparation of papers.

[No. 3.]

JOINT RULES AND ORDERS

OF THE

TWO BRANCHES.

I N D E X.

[This Schedule of Rules and Orders was adopted Jan. 26, 1881.]

RULE 1. List of joint standing committees—No member of either branch to act as counsel before any committee.

RULE 2. Joint committees, how they may report. Reports on subjects referred to them from standing committees of either branch, to be made in the House where such reference is made.

RULE 3. Reports of joint committees may be recommitted by either branch, except, etc.—All reports, after recommitment, to be made to the branch which ordered the same.

RULE 4. How bills and resolves shall be written.

RULE 5. "Leave to withdraw" or "inexpedient to legislate" to be reported on applications for legislation which can be secured under existing laws; or a general law to be reported on a special application, when not incompatible with public interest.

RULE 6. Concerning reports on petitions, notice of the presentation of which has not been given.

RULE 7. Concerning the printing, binding, and distribution of documents.

RULE 8. Limit of time allowed for reports of committees.

RULE 9. Bills and resolves affecting rights of individuals or corporations not to be introduced, except upon petition.

RULE 10. New business to be referred to next General Court after first Wednesday of February.

RULE 11. Committees of Conference.

RULE 12. Amendment to reports of joint committees to be indorsed thereon.

RULE 13. Papers on their passage between the two branches to be under signature of the Clerks, except, etc.—Messages from one branch to the other.

RULE 14. Engrossed bills, and bills ordered to be engrossed.

RULE 15. When petitions, memorials, bills, resolves, or orders originating in one branch are adversely acted on in the other, notice to be sent, etc.

RULE 16. Certificate on enacted bills as to the branch in which they originated; Clerk of Senate to send enacted bills to Governor, etc.

RULE 17. Resolves and other papers to be approved by Governor, to be treated like bills.

RULE 18. Resolves proposing amendments to Constitution to have three readings,—yeas and nays to be called on agreeing to same.

RULE 19. President of the Senate to preside in Joint Conventions—Conventions to be held in the Representatives' Chamber—Clerk of the Senate to be Clerk of Conventions.

RULE 20. An agreement to go into a Convention not to be altered or annulled, unless, etc.

RULE 21. Restriction as to business of Conventions.

RULE 22. Elections by joint ballot; time to be assigned therefor.

RULE 23. Convention for election of Senator under Act of Congress; rule governing, etc.

Committees.

RULE 1. The following joint standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the January session: viz.,—

- a committee on Agriculture ;
- a committee on Banks and Banking ;
- a committee on Claims ;
- a committee on Education ;
- a committee on Expenditures ;
- a committee on Federal Relations ;
- a committee on the Fisheries ;
- a committee on Harbors and Public Lands ;
- a committee on Insurance ;
- a committee on Labor ;
- a committee on the Library ;
- a committee on Manufactures ;
- a committee on Mercantile Affairs ;
- a committee on Military Affairs ;
- a committee on Parishes and Religious Societies ;
- a committee on Printing ;
- a committee on Prisons ;
- a committee on Public Charitable Institutions ;
- a committee on Railroads ;
- a committee on Roads and Bridges ;
- a committee on the State House ;
- a committee on Street Railways ;
- a committee on Taxation ;
- a committee on Towns ;
- a committee on Public Health.

And each of said committees shall consist of three on the

part of the Senate, and eight on the part of the House, except the committee on Railroads, which shall consist of four members on the part of the Senate and eleven on the part of the House; and except also the committee on Expenditures, which shall consist of the committee on the Treasury of the Senate, and the committee on Finance of the House. No member of either branch shall act as counsel for any party before any committee of the Legislature.

RULE 2. Joint committees may report by bill, resolve, or otherwise, to either branch, at their discretion; except that when a report is made from any committee to either branch, and the subject-matter thereof is subsequently referred therein to a joint committee, such committee shall report its action to the branch in which the original report was made. [See also next rule.]

RULE 3. Reports of joint committees may be recommitted to the same committees at the pleasure of the branch first acting thereon, and bills or resolves may be recommitted in either branch. A concurrent vote shall, however, be necessary for the recommitment of such reports, bills, or resolves, with instructions. After recommitment, report shall, in all cases, be made to the branch originating the recommitment.

RULE 4. Bills and resolves reported by joint committees shall be fairly written in a legible hand, without material erasure or interlineation, on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins, and spaces between the several sections, dates and numbers being written in words at length.

RULE 5. Whenever, upon any application for an act of incorporation or other special legislation, the purpose for which such legislation is sought can be secured without detriment to the public interests by a general law or under existing laws, the committee to which the matter is referred shall report such general law, or "leave to withdraw," or "inexpedient to legislate."

Notice to Parties Interested.

RULE 6. No bill or resolve affecting the rights of individuals, or of private or municipal corporations, or of the Commonwealth, otherwise than it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth, shall be reported by a committee, unless it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee

that notice has been given, by public advertisement or otherwise, to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth; or unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that the parties interested have in writing waived notice.

Printing and Distribution of Documents.

RULE 7. The committee on Printing may make regulations for the distribution of all documents printed or assigned for the use of the Legislature not otherwise disposed of, such regulations to be reported to and subject to the order of the two branches.

Under the general order to print a report, bill, or other document, the number printed shall be nine hundred.

Leave to report in print shall not be construed to authorize the printing of extended reports of evidence.

No printing, except as aforesaid, and no binding or engraving, shall be ordered, except upon the report of the joint committee on Printing, accepted by the Legislature.

Bills, reports, and other documents, printed under the general order of either branch, shall be distributed as follows: to wit, Two copies to each member of the Senate and House of Representatives (to be placed on his file under the direction of the Sergeant-at-Arms, if desired by the member); three copies to each clerk in either branch, and three copies to each reporter in regular attendance, to whom a seat has been assigned in either branch; twenty copies to the Executive; twenty copies to the Secretary's Office; six copies to the State Library; and when the document is the report of a committee, ten copies shall be assigned to the committee making the report. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall preserve as many as may be necessary for the permanent files to be placed in the lobbies, and distribute the remainder under such regulations as may be prescribed by said joint committee.

Limit of Time Allowed for Reports of Committees.

RULE 8. Joint committees shall make final report upon all matters previously referred to them, on or before the first Wednesday in March, unless further time is granted for cause.

Introduction of Business.

RULE 9. No bill or resolve affecting directly the legal rights of individuals or corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the interests of the people of the whole Commonwealth, or of the cities or towns to which it specifically applies, shall be proposed or introduced, by amendment or otherwise, except by report of a committee, upon petition duly presented and referred. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to that of the third reading.

Limit of Time allowed for New Business.

RULE 10. Petitions, memorials, applications, and all other subjects of legislation proposed or introduced after the first Wednesday of February, shall be referred to the next General Court. This rule shall not be rescinded, amended, or suspended, except by a concurrent vote of four-fifths of the members of each branch present and voting thereon.

Committees of Conference.

RULE 11. Committees of Conference shall consist of three members on the part of each branch, representing its vote; and their report, if agreed to by a majority of each committee, shall be made to the branch asking the conference, and may be either accepted or rejected, but no other action shall be had, except through a new committee of Conference.

Duties of the Clerks.

RULE 12. If any part of the report of a committee over the signature of the chairman or members of the committee is amended in either branch, the Clerk of that branch shall indorse upon the report such amendment.

RULE 13. All papers, while on their passage between the two branches, may be under the signature of the respective Clerks, except bills and resolves in their last stage. Messages may be sent by such persons as each branch may direct.

RULE 14. After bills have passed both branches to be engrossed, they shall be in the charge of the Clerks of the two

branches, who shall deliver the same to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to be engrossed in the manner prescribed by law; and, when engrossed, the said Clerks shall forthwith deliver the same to the committee of the House of Representatives on Engrossed Bills; and, when the same have passed to be enacted in that House, they shall, in like manner, be delivered to the committee of the Senate on Engrossed Bills.

RULE 15. If any petition, memorial, bill, resolve, or order, presented or originating in one branch, is adversely acted upon in the other, notice thereof shall be given, under the signature of the Clerk, to the branch in which the same originated.

RULE 16. The Clerk of the branch in which a bill originated shall make an indorsement thereon, certifying in which branch the same originated, which indorsement shall be entered on the journals by the Clerks respectively.

After said bills have passed both branches to be enacted, the Clerk of the Senate shall lay them before the Governor for his approbation, and shall enter upon the journal of the Senate the day on which the same were laid before the Governor.

RULE 17. All resolves and other papers which are to be presented to the Governor for his approbation, shall be laid before him in the same manner as is prescribed in the case of bills.

Constitutional Amendments.

RULE 18. All resolves proposing amendments of the Constitution shall have three several readings in each branch, and the final question upon agreeing to the same shall be taken by yeas and nays.

Joint Conventions.

RULE 19. The President of the Senate shall preside in Conventions of the two branches, and such Conventions shall be holden in the Representatives' Chamber; the Clerk of the Senate shall be Clerk of the Convention, and a record of the proceedings of the Convention shall be entered at large on the journals of both branches.

RULE 20. When an agreement has been made by the two branches to go into Convention, such agreement shall not be altered or annulled, except by concurrent vote.

RULE 21. No business shall be entered on, in Convention, other than that which may be agreed on before the Convention is formed.

Joint Elections.

RULE 22. In all elections by joint ballot, a time shall be assigned therefor at least one day previous to such election.

Elections of United States Senators.

RULE 23. The joint assembly required to be held by the statutes of the United States relating to the elections for Senators in Congress, shall be deemed a Convention of the two branches, and the proceedings therein shall be in accordance with the provisions of said statutes. The President of the Convention shall receive no motion on any day until one vote for Senator has been taken. After one vote for Senator has been taken, no motion shall be in order except a motion to adjourn, for a recess, or to proceed to vote for Senator; and these motions shall have precedence in the order of their arrangement and shall be decided without debate. If a motion is made for a recess, and different times are proposed, the question shall first be taken on the most remote time; and the time shall be determined, but without debate, before the question is put upon taking the recess. On either of the questions permitted by this rule, the sense of the Convention shall be taken by yeas and nays, whenever required by one-fifth of the members present. When the yeas and nays are taken, the roll of the Convention shall be called in alphabetical order; and no member shall be allowed to vote who was not on the floor when his name was called, or before the roll-call was finished. The call for the yeas and nays shall be decided without debate.

RULE 24. Any joint rule or order, except the tenth, may be altered, suspended, or rescinded, two-thirds of the members present in each branch consenting thereto.

[No. 4.]

THE OATH OF OFFICE.

[See page 4.]

I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear and affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent upon me as a representative, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States. *So help me, God.*

AFFIRMATION.

I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly affirm that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

I, , do solemnly affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as a representative, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

I, , do solemnly affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

[No. 5.]

QUESTIONS OF ORDER.

[THE figures in the following paragraphs refer to the page of the Journal on which the question and decision are entered.]

402. That a bill changed in its substance, though but in a single essential provision, may be offered after the original bill has been rejected, under Rule 47.

447. Same as above.

466. That the question being on agreeing to an article of amendment to the Constitution, it is no parliamentary objection that the resolve accompanying said article is inconsistent with a resolve previously passed; and it is the duty of the General Court to provide for submission to the people of an article of amendment which has been agreed to by two successive legislatures.

480. That an amendment not germane to a bill — e.g., inserting a section requiring a railroad company to maintain a footway over a railroad bridge, the bill relating only to a draw in said bridge — is not in order.

Also that an objection raised to a section in a bill which had already been before the House in two successive stages of the bill is not seasonably taken.

490. That the question; "Shall a bill be passed to be engrossed?" is not divisible; and that the taking of a vote on striking out one part of a certain provision in a bill is virtually a division of the question as to the two parts of said division.

Also that a motion to reconsider a vote whereby the yeas and nays are ordered is in order.

500. That in a bill establishing the salary of a judge of probate for one county, an amendment to also establish the salary of a judge of probate of another county is not germane.

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